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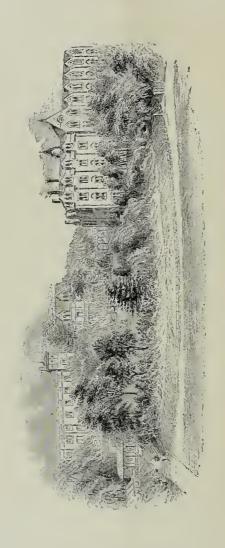
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Report of Executive Committee.

h Annisary. The Executive Committee have now to present a Report for the 30th year of the Royal Normal College for the Blind.

It was in the year 1872 that the College was founded by the late Dnke of Westminster, Dr. T. R. Armitage, Mr. C. A. Miner, and Dr. F. J. Campbell. The lastnamed was appointed Principal, and was entrusted with its organisation and direction

The other founders have passed away, but Dr. Campbell is still spared to the Institution, and devotes himself to its interests with unabated zeal, and with singular ability. He has now not only the satisfaction of presiding over a College in full efficiency, where 160 Blind Pupils are receiving a thorough education and training—general, technical, and musical—giving the best hopes for their future careers, but also of showing from actual experience of the past that the College has fully realised the aims of its founders in giving the pupils the means of becoming self-dependent and self-supporting.

It is a remarkable result that, of the pupils who have completed their training at the College, no fewer than 89 per cent. are now earning their own living.

As to what the College has done and is now doing, reference must be made to the Principal's Report, herewith, and to the letters and extracts contained in it.

The Committee have deemed it expedient to give these papers in great fulness on this oceasion. They believe that in no other way can they so well show what the work of the College has been, and what are its claims to public sympathy and assistance, and they give this detailed information at this time, because they have now to make a special appeal for increased assistance.

The Committee reported last year the appointment of the Duke of Westminster to succeed his grandfather, the

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late Duke, as President of the College. His Grace, however, has now resigned the office, finding that he cannot give that amount of attention to its duties which he feels the position of President demands. The Committee have accepted his resignation with regret -- the name of the Duke of Westminster having been so identified with the College from the first-but they have requested His Grace to accept the position of a Vice-President, and to this he has consented.

The Staff of the College remains as reported last year, Staff. with this change, that Mr. Guy M. Campbell has been appointed Vice-Principal. The Committee have pleasure in acknowledging the willing and efficient services of all the members of the Staff, and the deep interest they show in all that concerns the College. They particularly acknowledge the continued devotion of Dr. and Mrs. Campbell to their multifarious duties. They may be said to live for the College.

The Committee desire to acknowledge with grateful Gardner thanks the assistance they have continued to receive from the Gardner Trustees. The Scholarships given by that Trust to Blind youths of England and Wales are the means of admitting many to the College who otherwise could not have found access to its advantages. The Scholarships, being conferred by competitive examination, carry with them a certain degree of honour.

The usual Prize Festival was held in the College grounds on 13th July last year. The prizes were presented and other by the Earl of Aberdeen.

Five other garden parties were held in the College grounds in the course of last season.*

A few weeks before the Prize Festival, a number of the young men of the Gymnastic class took part, with the German Gymnastic Society, in a display of exercises in

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Prize Meeting

^{*} The object of these parties is to show the College in full working order. Invitations may be obtained by communicating with the Principal or any member of the Committee. The College is also open to visitors on the first Thursdays, at 2.45, in the Spring and Summer months.

the Crystal Palace, and received much commendation for

their performances.

An interesting event of the year was the appearance of a company of the students at the International Exhibition at Glasgow, where they gave musical performances and gymnastic displays. The performances were held daily for one week, and were highly appreciated—the only regret expressed being that the visit was not continued for a second week. The expenses were defrayed by a special subscription, organised locally, and the result was a substantial contribution to the funds of the College.

Although not strictly within the period now reported on, it may be stated that, owing to the condition of public health in London in December last, it was deemed prudent not to disperse the pupils for the usual Christmas holidays. They therefore remained at the College, where they were kept pleasantly occupied with recreations so as to have little cause to regret not getting home or to their friends. The result of their holiday employments was a very merry meeting with Christmas tree, &c., on the 20th of January, with dramatic and musical performances and games, held before a large company of the Committee and their friends.

The Committee have to record with regret the death of Mrs. Armitage, widow of Dr. T. R. Armitage already referred to, and one of the most constant friends of the College. She will be much missed by the pupils and all the members of the Staff.

The Committee now turn to the finances of the College, on which, owing to circumstances heyond their control, their Report is not so satisfactory.

It was stated in last year's Report that the ordinary income had been insufficient to meet the ordinary expenditure by so large a sum as £2,171. The deficit this year is less, but still is considerable, viz., £919, after appropriating £450 of legacies.

This may be said to have arisen from the insufficiency of the support from the charitable public, it having been

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impossible for the Committee during the last two years to prosecute an appeal for the College, in the face of the demands on public sympathy and liberality in connection with our soldiers and sailors engaged in the War. The necessities of the College, however, are such that the Committee could delay no longer, and they have accordingly issued an urgent appeal for greatly increased support in the form of donations and annual subscriptions, and also for donations to reduce greatly or wipe off a Mortgage Debt on the College property of £15,000.

As will be seen from the Accounts hereto appended, the College has property in Grounds, Buildings, Instruments, and Furniture, to the value of £64,225. The debt on this is £15,000.

The income last year was £10,380, of which sum £8,111 was from fees and subscriptions on account of pupils, £548 from Government grants for the school and training College, £450 from legacies, and £1,271 from subscriptions and donations.

The Committee aim at having this last item increased to £3,000.

The current expenditure last year was £11,226.

It is obvious that the expenditure must continue to be large, the education and training given being necessarily costly. The Committee believe that the result aimed at cannot be attained at less cost, and that this result—fitting the Blind to become self-supporting members of society—is well worth the cost. They believe that the claims of the College require only to be thoroughly known in order to gain for it such support as will place it on a secure basis as regards finance, and for that support the Committee would now earnestly appeal.

On behalf of the Executive Committee,

Jas. Alex. Campbell.

20th March, 1902.

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Principal's Report.

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Pupils and Staff. The present number of pupils is 160, the average number for 1901 was 150. With few exceptions the work, industry, and conduct of the pupils have been excellent.

The daily work of the College has been prosecuted with vigour. The efforts of our Teachers are not limited to the rontine instruction of the class-room; much extra time is given, especially to the backward and unpromising pupils; their failings are carefully considered, and, by voluntary assistance, they are helped over many of their difficulties. Our Professors, Teachers, and Officers realize that the knowledge acquired by our students is of very little practical use, without careful attention to details, business-like habits, and manly character. I wish to express my thanks to the Staff for their zeal, devotion, and faithfulness, to which, under God's blessing, we owe the success that has crowned the year's work.

Recitals.

The weekly recitals of our Senior Pianoforte Professor, Mr. Frits Hartvigson, and our Organ Professor, Mr. H. L. Balfour, are a source of great pleasure and profit to our pupils.

Lectures.

Mr. F. C. Corder in his valuable lectures has dealt this year with the Life and Works of Baeh, Handel, Glnek, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Weber, Schubert, Spohr, Mendelssohn, Schumann, Liszt, Raff, Wagner, and also the early English composers.

The founders of the College resolved to establish a Objects of the School, a Training College and a Conservatory of Music, Foundation, which should afford the Blind of the United Kingdom an education, moral, physical, mental, technical and musical, fully equal to that given in the best educational establishments for the Seeing.

while they gladly availed themselves of the suggestions of leading educators of the Blind in all countries, they also carefully studied the plans, principles, and methods of the most progressive Institutions for Physical Culture, Technical Schools, and Conservatories of Music for the Seeing, both in Europe and America. They have endeavoured to keep to the highest standard in each department, and to secure loving, enthusiastic teachers, who, while they did not undervalue systematic routine, appreciated the true importance of character building.

In the School Department the Teachers have all been graduates of Training Colleges; in the Musical Department the best London Professors have been employed; in the Pianoforte Tuning the Manager was for many years one of Broadwood's most skilful meu; in the Technical Department the Teacher, although he was a skilled mechanic, took a special course in Swedish Slöyd; in the Physical Department, the Director is thoroughly conversant with all the different systems of physical development.

From the first, the founders of the College maintained that the Blind could only be made self-sustaining by increasing their intelligence, bodily activity, and dexterity, by inculcating business habits, by arousing their self-respect, and by creating in their minds a belief in the possibility of future self-maintenance.

In June last, the School Department was examined by H.M. Inspectors, and the full grant was awarded.

"Physical Exercises are very well provided. The Reports training is very good, and independence and self-reliance

are well cultivated. The instruction is thoroughly and sensibly given, and the teachers appear to aim at a high standard of culture and intelligence." (Extract from Report.)

ln July, four of our Students passed the Second Year's Training College Examination. The following is the

Report of H.M. Inspector :-

"This College is wisely administered. The training is skilful, and the results in all respects satisfactory. Some of the notes of lessons presented by the Candidates were models of what such things should be."

Results of Examinations, Of the four Training College Students who passed their second year's examination, Lily Steel (G.S.*) is doing good work as a teacher in the School for the Blind, Southsea: Louisa Robertson (G.S.) is taking an extra year in College for the purpose of giving special attention to music: John Wright is studying in the University of Glasgow; George Whittleton (G.S.) is continuing his work in the College, preparing for the entrance examination at Cambridge.

Two Students, H. Watling (G.S.) and L. Pegg (G.S.) have recently passed the Licentiate Examination of the Royal Academy of Music. Miss Emily Lucas (L.R.A.M.) has passed the Associate Examination of the College of Organists, and is preparing for the Fellowship examination.

Since our last statement in regard to Students who had taken Pianoforte Tuning Certificates, thirteen have passed a thorough and critical examination by Mr. Hipkins, of Messrs. John Broadwood and Sons, and have begun work for themselves; of these, five are in situations, five have worked up good private connections: of the two who have recently left, one has made a fair beginning, but the

^{*} G.S. means Gardner Scholar.

other is only just starting. One, who declined to follow the advice given him, and started at-home, is not as yet successful.

During the year, we have enlarged our Pianoforte Tuning Pianoforte Department. Having heard from a number of the old Tuning Department. pupils that they were having difficulty in dealing with the mechanism of German pianos, we have purchased two German pianos for the Tuning Department, in order to give our tuners practical experience with the mechanical construction of this class of instrument before leaving the College.

The College includes five Departments: -- A Preparatory General School, a Secondary School, a Training College, a and Course of Technical School, and an Academy of Music.

Organization Instruction.

The following is the course of Instruction:

- 1. Physical Education, including Gymnastics (English, Swedish, German, and American), Deportment, Drill, Swimming, Skating, Rowing, Cycling, and other Sports.
- 2. General Education, including in the Elementary course, Kinder-Garten work, Reading, Writing, Scripture, Arithmetic, Modelling, Slöyd, and Object Lessons in the elements of various subjects; in the Secondary course, Literature, History, Science, Mathematics, French, Latin, and Greek. In the Secondary course, the Students can prepare for the King's Scholarship and University Examinations. In the Training College course, under the Education Department, the Students take the Training College Examination, and obtain their Certificates as School Teachers.

- 3. The Science and Practice of Music, including the Training of Music Teachers, Pianists, Organists, Choirmasters, and Vocalists. The instruction afforded the pupils is equal to that given in the best Conservatorics for the Seeing. Those who intend to follow Music as a profession have special training in the Art of Teaching. Great attention is given to Chanting and the Training and Management of Choirs. All the pupils attend numerous Lectures, Recitals, and Concerts.
- 4. Technical Education, including Mcchanical Training and Pianoforte Tuning. No Tuner is granted a Certificate without serving an apprenticeship of several years, and undergoing a thorough Mechanical Examination. Mr. A. J. Hipkins, of Messrs. Broadwood and Sons, is Chief Examiner.

Keeping in touch with Past Graduates.

It has always been one of our fundamental principles to do all that is possible to help our pupils start in business when they leave the College, and we endeavour to keep in touch with them from year to year. For this purpose we always send a Christmas Letter. We give the one sent last December, and a number of letters from past Students. It will be seen that a large number of these active, independent blind men and women owe their education to the generous help of the Gardner Trust. We shall be glad if our supporters will read the following letters, which show very clearly that the success of the pupils of the College has been due, in large measure, to their energy, courage, and perseverance, and that they recognize the training in these qualities as among the most valuable lessons gained at the College.

"Windermere," Church Road,
Upper Norwood, S.E.

December 16th, 1901.

Christmas Letter to Old Pupils,

DEAR FRIEND,

As we are drawing near the close of the year 1901, Mrs. Campbell and I wish to send our Letter in advance, with the earnest hope that each of our old friends will send us a Christmas Letter. How delighted we shall be, if, on Christmas Eve, we have letters from all the old pupils of the College. Within a short time many have sent us business letters, but I trust this will not prevent our receiving a Christmas greeting.

This has been a sad, eventful year. By the death of Her Majesty, Queen Victoria, we lost a gracious Patron who took a kindly interest in the College from the beginning. A few weeks before her death, I had a letter from her Private Secretary, informing me that Her Majesty would be pleased to receive the pupils again at Windsor in the month of May.

The death of our dear old Professor, Dr. E. J. Hopkins, must have come as a family bereavement to present and past students of the College. By the side of the grave the pupils sang, "God is love, His mercy brightens, All the paths in which we rove"; these words are set to music which was composed by Dr. Hopkins for them to sing at a meeting at Grosvenor House. After the funeral we received the following letter from Dr. Mann, of Cambridge:—

I wish to ask you to convey to your choir a musician's sincere thanks for their lovely music at the side of dear old "Daddie Hopkins!" grave It was most beautiful. It went streight to my heart. May I say I felt sure it came from feeling hearts? I cannot tell you how it touched me. It was a beautiful finish to a grand old organist's life

Mr. W. F. Schweir, after thirteen years' successful work at Barnet, was obliged to go to Tangier in 1895, with the hope of regaining his health. All the care and attention of devoted friends proved unavailing. When we returned from America last February, we learned that the end was approaching, and that he had expressed an earnest wish to see us. He was anxious to send a last message to the present students; he wished them to realise that it was not alone the invaluable lessons of the Professors and Teachers that would enable them to make their way in the world, but the lessons in perseverance, industry, and true appreciation of work that would help them; also the importance of manly, Christian character. Mrs. Schweir has placed a memorial tablet in the Hall of the College, with the following inscription:—

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF

WALTER FREDERICK SCHWEIR,

MUS. BAC., F.R.C.O., L.R.A.M.,

WHO ENTERED INTO REST APRIL 2, 1901.

For ten years a pupil at this College, this tablet is placed here by his wife, to record his esteem and appreciation for Dr. Campbell and all connected with this noble Institution. "Tribulation worketh patience, patience experience, experience hope: hope maketh not ashamed." Rom. v., 3.

Mr. Geo. B. Dixon, of Exmouth, has passed away. He, like Mr. Schweir, was an invalid for several years before his death.

In November, Mrs. T. R. Armitage, the widow of the late Dr. Armitage (that generous benefactor of the Blind), was taken from us. Mrs. Armitage was buried at Noan, Ireland, but there was a funeral service at St. James's, Paddington, to which all the Blind of London were invited. The College Choir took the musical part of the service.

Among the achievements of the year you will be pleased to hear of the brilliant success of Edith Jones and Olga Kuntze. I cannot do better than quote from their letters. You will also be glad to learn that Mr. G. C. Hardebeck has again won a first prize in the competitions of the Feis Ceoil at Dublin.

I heg to thank you most sincerely for your kind congratulations on my recent success. Perhaps you would like to know just exactly what I have won. First, I sat for an examination in English Literature on April the 20th last, and for one in English History on the 24th; in both of these I obtained first-class certificates and the Roxburgh Prizes, both of the value of £1 1s. each. The authors selected for study in Literature were-Dickens, and Thackeray, together with Shakespeare's "Hamlet"; and the period chosen in History was from Edward I, to the close of Richard II.'s reign, with special attention to the Literary, Social, and Religious move-

ments of the time.

On May the 15th, I sat for the flual examination in Hygiene (advanced stage), one necessary qualification for this being that the student must have previously obtained certificates in elementary Physiology and elementary Hygiene, both of which I gained the preceding year. In these examinations all my fellow competitors were sighted ladies and gentlemen, and many of them were teachers. The result of this examination was not made known until three weeks ago, when, to my intense surprise and pleasure, I found that I stood first in the order-of-mcrit list sent from the Board of Education, and that in consequence I had been awarded the "Teacher's Exhibition" (the honour of gaining which is greatly coveted), the value of the scholarship being £32 per annum for two years. There are certain conditions, however, attached to it, one being that the successful candidate has to undertake to give not less than thirty lessons per annum on the "Laws of Health" to his or her pupils, subject to periodical visits from Members of the Institute Council. Our Committee have arranged that I should deliver these to our senior pupils each Wednesday evening. already given four; felt extremely nervous at the first one, but am getting accustomed to it now. I find that the preparation of a lecture every week, in addition to my ordinary school work, about as much as I can manage, for we are very busy in all departments just at present.

In addition to all this, the report given by H.M.I. after his recent inspection is most gratifying, and well repays our year's work, special mention being

made of the singing of the little ones, which is my special care.

In conclusion, permit me to take this opportunity of thanking you both for all you have done for me, not only from an educational point of view, but in those lessons of perseverance and steadfast determination to conquer all obstacles which have done so much to further me in all my efforts, and which have been ultimately the means of my success. I am thoroughly convinced that nothing is accomplished without plenty of the "stick-to" spirit about it, a firm and dogged determination not to be conquered by circumstances and environment, but to succeed in spite of all aud every difficulty that may beset the path; and for these views I am indebted solely and entirely to the careful training and excellent example placed before me at the College.

EDITH JONES, G.S.

After what has happened lately to me, I feel that I ought to inform you of what I have been doing; for have I not to thank you and the Royal Normal College for those facilities which have enabled me to attain what I have

attained at the beginning of this month?

About six months ago, my father told me that he wanted me to compete for the Mendelssohn prize for performers, which consists of 1,500 marks taken out of the property which Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy has left, and which is given each year on the 1st of October to a promising musician at the Royal Academy of Music in Berlin. This is done under the following

conditions:—Candidates must have studied at least six months in one of the musical Academies of the kingdom of Prussia; they must send in a certificate from the Institution where they have studied, accompanied by a description of their life, particularly of their studies. If they are considered ripe for competition, they are informed that they might be examined at the Academy in Berlin on the 30th of September. Persons who have not studied in a Prussian Academy may exceptionally be admitted for competition, provided that one or other of the Mendelssohn family is interested in them. Perhaps you will be aware of the fact that blind people are not admitted as students at the Royal Academy in Berlin, and it was this fact more than anything else which caused my father at one time to send my brother Werner and myself to the Royal Normal College. A friend of my father's, who is distantly related to the Mendelssohn family, acted in my favour, and so my application was accepted, and I was informed that I might appear on the day of the examination. I had sent in my certificate from the College, and also my diploma of the Licentiate Examination from the Royal Academy of Music in London.

In due time I was at the Academy in Berlin. There were 26 candidates: 13 pianists, 9 violinists, 1 violoncellist, 2 singers, and one for piano and organ—myself. The prize has been given to a violinist, a former pupil at the Academy, but three smaller prizes were given out of the interest of a considerable sum, which had been given a few years ago by the heirs of Mendelssohn for the purpose, and I received one of these prizes; it consisted of 200 marks. The judges were Professor Joachim, Professor Radoke, and Max Bruch. All three shook hands with me and said a few kind words to me after the examination, and spoke favourably about my performances. I write you all this, dear Dr. Campbell, because I know that you are always interested in your former pupils, and that you are always glad to hear

exactly how they are doing in life.

OLGA KUNTZE.

At the close of last term the College Choir, assisted by a number of the past students, gave a series of Concerts and Gymnastic performances at the Glasgow Exhibition. The large Concert Hall was filled on every occasion, and hundreds were turned away from the doors. During the visit to Glasgow, the pupils were hospitably entertained by Sir John Stirling-Maxwell and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Auchincloss Arrol.

Miss M. C. Greene, after forty years' work among the Blind of America and England, has resigned her position and returned to her native land. Her pleasant readings will be greatly missed by the present pupils, and her cordial greetings by past pupils who re-visit the College.

During the summer holidays we visited Miss Proctor, and found her feeble in body, but still retaining her

mental faculties. She asked after many of the old pupils, and would be glad to hear from them. Her address is 100, Chatham Street, Liverpool.

In conclusion, allow us to ask again, that you will not only tell us of your successes, but also of your trials and difficulties. Tell us as much as possible of your experiences, as this will help others.

Wishing you a bright and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year—

We are, yours faithfully,

F. J. and S. E. CAMPBELL.

Many replies were received from Past Students. The following extracts are given:—

Extracts from Letters of Past Students.

I do not know that I have anything striking or remarkable to tell you regarding my year's work. I am extremely happy in my Church and am indeed proud to be organist of it. My choir is mostly voluntary, but we have four paid singers, who are an enormous help in giving the others confidence. The music for the Sunday services would not be enough in itself to keep the choir interested in the weekly practices, so we do a work every year. The year before last we did Sullivan's "Prodigal Son"; last year, the "Hynnn of Praise," and this year we are working at Barnett's "The Good Shepherd," which, I think, will come out very well. I conduct and accompany the whole thing on the organ. With my teaching and recitals, I find that learning the accompaniments of these different works takes considerable time. Since I came to Edinburgh, I have lad from time to time some work which interests me greatly, and that is, specifying organs for various Churches. I often think of when I was a little boy at Norwood, how I used to delight to creep up into the hall when the tuners were there, to find out all I could about the organ. I used to be in mortal dread of being caught, but I think you somehow guessed where I was, and kindly didn't see me. At any rate, what I learnt then has been of great use to me. I have just got back from Belfast, where I was opening a fine new organ by Walker, which cost over £1,000, and which I had the pleasure of specifying &c. I keep up my piano playing, but cannot give much attention to it, as my organ playing is much more in demand,

Regarding the benefits I have received from my training at Norwood, I can only say that I got every benefit possible. I owe everything to my teachers and professors at Norwood, and to the many opportunities you gave me of developing my love for music. I wish some generous person would start a fund so that the College could give three or four orchestral concerts yearly, in order to give the pupils chances of playing with an orchestra. I shall ever be thankful for the opportunities I had in this direction at Norwood. Yours affectionately,

ALFRED HOLLINS.

It is now some 25 years since we began business in Glasgow. Being imbued to some extent with the spirit of caution usually credited to our countrymen, we were content to conduct our operations at first on a comparatively limited scale.

Our dwelling house was the business headquarters, and our efforts from thence were mainly directed to the formation of a sound tuning connection.

We have here to acknowledge the very valuable assistance extended to us at this point of our career, and since, by those who take an active interest in our class resident in Glasgow and the West of Scotland. The passage of time has thinned their numbers, but we look back with gratitude on the encouragement we then received—an encouragement doubly grateful—as we were the first two students of the College to begin business in Glasgow, and the success of the venture was problematical.

We had, however, not been long at work when we perceived that steady aud persistent effort along the lines laid down would remove success from the region of doubt. Soon the necessity of opening a shop became apparent. and, as our business proved steadily progressive, a removal to a larger one became imperative, until now we occupy premises consisting of three flats in one of Glasgow's best business thoroughfares, and point with pardonable pride to the Royal Arms over our doorway, indicative of the fact that your two old students are music-sellers to His Majesty the King. Our employees number 25, embracing the usual staff for the conduct of a piano, organ, and sheet music business.

Two of our tuners were former students of the College, Messrs. McDonald and Fairchild. A few years ago, we ran for three seasons an interesting series of Saturday afternoon concerts in Glasgow's largest hall, a building capable of seating 4,000 persons. The admission charged was from one penny to sixpence. The very low admission precluded all possibility of running the concerts as a profitable financial speculation, but we got out of them a valuable advertisement.

The Corporation on our retiring from the field took up the concerts, and are now running them very largely on the lines inangurated by us.

At the late Glasgow Exhibition we had an attractive exhibit, and hope to reap considerable benefit therefrom.

We remain, dear Dr. Campbell, yours very sincerely, EWING & McINTOSH

It is now fifteen years since I left the Royal Normal College, and during that period I have worked with unabated energy and perseverance, and with a full determination to succeed, and take my stand side by side with my more fortunate fellow-men.

I will give you an outline of my career, so that you may judge to what extent my efforts have been rewarded; I do so, not in self-approbation, but with an earnest desire to encourage others, and as another testimony to the excellent work of the College.

You will remember that I devoted most of my time to tuning, construction, and the mechanism of the pianoforte, which has served me in good After leaving the College, I commenced business as a Pianoforte Tuner, and at the end of two years I opened a music shop, with five pianos, when I took in a partner, who was in a position to supply me with the necessary capital, but leaving me the entire working of the business, he

taking no active part whatever.

In a few years we opened a large shop in the centre of the town, and at the present time have five branches within a radius of twelve miles; during the last thirteen years we have sold over 2,000 instruments (pianos and organs), and also done a large business in other musical merchandise, including phonographs, and last year we tuned considerably over 1,000 pianos. Our staff (exclusive of wife and self) consists of two tuners and one apprentice four salesmen, one clerk, and a vanman.

For the last few years I have been solc proprietor of the business, and am pleased to say that my late partner and myself are the best of friends, and he has always a good word to say for my integrity and perseverance.

Thanking you for the many benefits I received while under your tuition-

I beg to remain, yours sincerely

J. L. HAWORTH, G.S.

I could never have accomplished what I have done in Canada, but for the four years I spent in the Royal Normal College. The instruction I received there was invaluable. I refer particularly to the tuning department. Although I have not followed up singing, piano, organ, or harmony, at the same time the knowledge of these subjects has helped me indirectly in various ways. One can never know too much.

I have my diploma framed and hanging in my warerooms. Every prospective customer sees this, and realises at a glance that they are dealing with an educated and practical man. I also show the bag which was presented to me by a Princess Royal as a tuning prize. This also

interests people very much.

As you are aware, I am a firm believer in the gymnasium and the swimming bath, having won the first silver medal. Pluck and determination

are what the Blind need to succeed

I came to Canada in 1887 without a dollar, and after I had been here two years, saved up about \$250. My younger brother, who was then in the grocery business in this city, joined me. We made a start with \$500 in buying and selling pianos. It has been very uphill work, both of us having to work a great deal of time both day and night, but we are proud to say now we are one of the best known piano houses in the province of Quebec. Our capital is about \$30,000.

I might mention here that I owc much to dear Dr. Armitage for two very valuable introductions, which he gave mc, to influential gentlemen residing

in Montreal.

Yours respectfully, P. E. LAYTON, G.S.

consider my becoming a student of the Royal Normal College was the turning point of my life, the splendid education received, both mentally and physically, has enabled me to compete successfully with the best London Professional Musicians. On leaving the College, my father turned me out to sink or swim. I thought at the time this was very hard lines, now know it was the best thing possible for me to have to rely on my own efforts for maintenance. The following I give as a guide to any young man starting

First, I went on a concert tour with well-known artistes, and after several months' hard work, though we received handsome salaries, I returned home with only three half-pence in my pocket, owing to exorbitant hotels, &c. Next took a small room in a back street at 2s. 6d. per week, and commenced teaching; when I had six pupils removed to a room at 10s, when sixteen pupils, took a £50 house and opened a music school, which I carried on for seventeen years, bought the property and adjoining house through a building society, then moved to a £90 house, my present residence, and have passed pupils through Trinity College, the Associated Board Local, L.R.A.M., and L.R.C.M. examinations. They have also been successful in obtaining seholarships.

Yours faithfully,

ARTHUR WILMOT

P.S.-My College certificate was dated July 9th, 1879, so have been working for over twenty-one years,

Since leaving Norwood in 1877, I have followed the callings of teacher and tuner with success (I hope I say it modestly), and the credit for this is entirely due to the College. It is truo I had some years' musical education before I came under your influence, but I know only too well, as I explained to the Commission in London, that I could never have pushed my way in the world had I not experienced the benefits of the all-round excellent teaching of yourself and gifted staff of professors.

I have a happy and comfortable home, and I should add that my wife has managed to a great extent the music shop I opened here nearly nineteen years ago, so that although the scene of my operations is a small country town of five thousand population, the outcome of your education has practically been that I find myself in very easy circumstances. I have plenty of competitors here, and from Manchester fifteen miles to the north, but this only does good by keeping me hard at work.

Believe me. yours gratefully, JOHN ARTHUR HOLLAND

In regard to the benefits I have received at College, they were indeed great. I feel that I owo to you a debt of gratitude, not only for the manner in which you acted as Governor of the general work of the College, but more especially that you were the means of bringing together a staff of Professors who were—each in his own department—of the very best to be had.

I should like to mention first my pianoforte teacher, Mr. Frits Hartvigson, and to this day I revel in the thought of his lessons, and I feel that he has done more than anyone else in the moulding of my musical tastes. It is not only to the individual lessons which I received from Mr. Hartvigson that I trace this influence, but to the ever delighful recitals which he gave week by week, the programmes of which ranged through I might almost say the entire works of Bach, Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, Mendelssohn, Schumann, and Liszt, besides an almost innumerable number of miscellaneous pieces by various composers.

I must also mention the late Dr. E J. Hopkins, who gave me excellent organ lessons, and who used to train the whole school in the chanting of the Psalms. I may say that I follow his method strictly when I teach my own Choir, as I do not think it can be improved upon. By Dr. W. H. Cummings we were all trained in the art of "Breathing," an art which is very much neglected by singing teachers generally. The rendering of songs which

Dr. Cummings used to try to give to his pupils was most refined.

The late Henry Ch. Banister, at whose feet I sat as a student of Harmouv. Counterpoint, and Composition, although somewhat of the old school,

exercised a strict but beneficial influence upon me.

The College Choir used to meet for practice for an hour every day in my time, as everybody knows who the trainer was, and no member of the College Choir can gainsay this-that the training they received was most artistic, painstaking, and thorough.

In addition to the other benefits, I received from you the taste for the development of my pianoforte technique, which remains with me to this day.

Yours faithfully, F. TURNER, G.S.

I have been successful in my three Church appointments. As my testimonials show, my playing and training of the choirs of the different Churches

have given complete satisfaction.

With regard to teaching, I have had to face in each town a strong prejudice against a blind teacher, but have been able, by degrees, to overcome this, and to do good work with the pupils entrusted to my tuition. My pupils have gained certificates from the Associated Board of the R.A.M. and R.C.M.

In conclusion, I should like to say that the splendid teaching and training I received at the R.N.C. from yourself, Mr. Hartvigson, Dr. Hopkins, and Mr. Cummings, have enabled me to compete successfully with the best local

sighted men of my profession.

With kind regards, I am, yours sincerely, A. C. STERICKER.

It is now 17 years since I left Norwood, and during that time I have by God'a blessing been enabled to maintain myself and those dependent upon me in all reasonable comfort. My position at present stands something like this: I am Organist and Choirmaster of M'Cheyne U F. Church; Choirmaster of West U.F. Church; Musie-master at the Institution for the Blind; and Conductor of the Dundee Select Choir, for which last item, however, I receive no aalary. Of course, in addition to the above, I do a fair share of private teaching. From these particulars I think anyone will have an approximate idea of the practical benefits I owe to the College, as all my musical and most of my literary education was obtained there.

In reply to your letter, I have been in my present post more than 19 years. We have just held our Harvest Thanksgiving for the 20th time since I have been here. Yesterday, we heard Stainer's Anthem "Ye shall dwell in the

Land," not inappropriate, I think, remembering my long stay.

Am glad to say I have not only been able to support myself and family, but also save something for the future. We have had our trials in life. We buried our eldest daughter last year. Have one son away in sehool at Brecon, which costs me about £30 a year, and one little girl, aged seven,

at home.

The following experience may be of some use: Seven years ago, the local Post Office went begging at a salary of £5 a year. I went in for it, and was met with the usual objection, blind, but when I quoted Professor Faweett as Postmaster General, I was installed as Postmaster at £5; but I did not mean to let it stop at that figure, and immediately applied for an M.O. and Savings Bank business, and got it with an increase of £5 a year; I then proposed to the neighbourhood that they should have a telegraph, and, after much effort and a great deal of argument succeeded, got the necessary guarantors, and poles were put up to the nearest connection, about three miles away, with an increased salary, ten guineas a year. With other additions it is now worth ± 30 a year; have also sold many instruments, pianos, and organs. I also register rainfall for the London County Council, daily ± 2 a year. Of course, unless a man is married, or has a model sister, it would be impossible to carry out some of the schemes mentioned.

I shall be pleased if anything I can say will help to encourage the pupils of the College. The training I received there was such as to enable me to gain a livelihood for nearly twenty years. The old days are full of pleasant memories. I cannot forget any of the friends of my time, and have the warmest regard for such friendship, both of fellow pupils, professors, and many of the committee, all of whom helped and encouraged me to persevere to overcome difficulties.

I feel I ought to mention Dr. Armitage, the late Mr. John Cook, Dr. Cummings, Mr. Hartvigson, and Mr. Young (not forgetting Mrs. Campbell and yourself), as taking a never-tiring interest in our welfare, both as a

pupil and after I left the College.

The choir practice, too, in my time was full of interest to me. Our choir was like one beautiful instrument. In my opinion, it was one of the greatest means of bringing the work of the College to the front.

Believe me, yours sincerely, JABEZ WEST.

It is twenty-six years since I left the College. I was two-and-a-half years with Swan and Pentland, till they gave up business. I came back to the College for five months, and on my return to Glasgow entered the employment of Paterson, Sons and Co. I have been twenty-two-and-a-half years with them. It is twenty years last October since I was married. I have been able to maintain my family during that time, owing to my steady employment with Messrs. Paterson.

I remain, yours sincerely,

It is with sincerest pleasure that I sit down to reply to your letter of the 21st ult., and I can only say that I trust I may not be too late to be able to bear my little share of testimony to the benefits I received while with you at the Royal Normal College. Great stress of work is my excuse; for, in addition to my teaching, studying, and committing for the same, and my usual church work, which runs well up towards sixty hours' work every week, I have just now in preparation a choral work, which my choir is set down to perform on the first Sunday in the New Year. You ask me to recount some of the benefits which my College days afforded. The College, Sir, is one huge, inestimable, never ending, heaven sent benefit to me, as to every single student who has ever entered its gates. It is only after one has quitted it, that one realises the enormous, nay, the well-nigh miraculous advantages one enjoyed while there. It has raised the Blind from a position of a race of beggars, pitied by all who came in contact with them, to the status of a self-supporting body admired by everyone, and it is yourself, Doctor, who, by your indomitable perseverance in overcoming all obstacles, and by the faculty you possess of instilling into those who come under your jurisdiction a like spirit, that we owe all. In your letter, you say you feel that this may be the last report you may write,—may God grant that this be not so, for the class you have so much beneuted can ill spare you for many, many years yet to come,

As to my own special case, I entered the College in 1881, a veritable specimen of a rough Lancashire lad, and, thanks to the advantages I was privileged to enjoy, I quitted it in 1888, well fitted, not only to make a living, but likewise to move with credit in the good society obligatory from the position for which I left you, as also, still more, from the post of organist and choirmaster in Sherwood Church, one of the best in Paisley, and of professor in the Glasgow Athenaum School of Music, a school second only in importance to the Guildhall School in London. Of the musical benefits of the Royal Normal College, I may mention the lessons I received from Mr. Hartvigson, of whom I feel proud to have been a pupil (though the feeling may not, perhaps, be reciprocal), as also those of Dr. Hopkins, Dr. Cummings, Mr. Banister, and of yourself, in technic, and in the not-to-be-forgotten choir training, all of which lessons stand me now in such good stead. I must not omit the Crystal Palace Concerts, and Mr. Hartvigson's recitals-two of the most far-reaching benefits of the College-as thereby I was enabled to hear and to know well a tremendous amount of music of all kinds. Of the advantages in what I might style a literary way, I may cite, in addition to the excellently ordered school training which I obtained, the numerous lectures by Mr. Presland, Mr. Manson, Dr. Wood, Dr. Carpenter, and many others, as also the invaluable and enjoyable reading by Mrs. Campbell after prayers; all of which tended to improve the mental faculties of the student. Of the moral advantages afforded, the chief was the non-sectariau character of the College, and the broad, though always most sound, principles upon which religious instruction was imparted. In the matter of physical training, the hypothesis of "sound body, sound mind," which was sometimes irksome to us all at the time, I know now to have been correct. Added to these benefits, I must not omit the strict, though always kindly discipline, which you ever exercised over us; and which has enabled me, at any rate, to go so far through the world, and which, I doubt not, will still guide me through life, fearlessly, independently, and honourably, and always on right lines. To catalogue the individual benefits I received would too far trespass upon the space at my disposal in your forthcoming report; and those I have endeavoured to enumerate are but a very few of the subdivisions of the grand benefits of the College. By all means append my signature, as I am more than delighted to bear testimony to our dear old Alma Mater. Permit me, in closing, to thank you for the privilege of saying that which I have said; and, with kindest regards to Mrs. Campbell and yourself, in which my wife joins me, and best wishes for the welfare of the College and all connected therewith-

Believe me, dear Dr. Campbell, always yours most gratefully, H. SANDIFORD TURNER, G.S.

It gives me great pleasure to reply to your letter, received this morning. It is now nearly eight years since I left the College for South Africa, where I have been far more successful than I dared to hope. The appointment which you procured for me at the School for the Blind, Worcester, C.C., brought me a good deal of hard, uphill work, for which my pupil-teacher days at the Royal Normal College prepared me. As an instance of what I have been able to do at the school, I may mention that two of my pupils have obtained pianoforte teachers' certificates. In addition to the work at the school, I have several private pupils, and have held an organ appointment for two years. My annual income has averaged £250. Until the outbreak of the present war, I gave one concert every year in which several pupils took part; they were in every way successful.

I attribute my success in South Africa to the seven years of life in the College, to the splendid teaching, excellent concerts, and the many branches of physical training.

I am glad of this opportunity of giving this testimony to the good work of

the College. I remain, yours faithfully,

HARRY GREENWOOD, G.S.

In 1891, I left the Royal Normal College after almost six years' training In September of that year I set up as a teacher of music at my house, and was favoured with immediate and gratifying success. During the following month I had the option of two church appointments, and chose that of Organist and Choirmaster in Lindsay Street Congregational Church, Dundee. Eighteen months later I obtained a similar but more lucrative post in Wallacetown Parish Church, which position I have held for almost nine years-to what purpose the enclosed copy of a testimonial from my minister will best show. Ever since starting business I have been able, not only to maintain myself, but also to render some slight assistance to others; and it is with feelings of the deepest gratitude that I look back to the time which I spent at Norwood in preparation for the duties of life. strongly of opinion, however, that no small measure of the success which has attended past pupils, has been due to those wholesome moral and religious influences which you have always brought to bear upon your students and their work. The great principles thus instilled have, in my personal experience, removed many difficulties for which mere technical skill had no solution. In this connection especially, I wish to thank Mrs. Campbell as well as yourself; and to express the earnest hope that you may both still be spared for many years to continue the work to which you have so nobly dedicated your lives and talents.

I am, yours very sincercly.

J. S. BRAND

Owing to the thoroughness of the teaching at the College, I have always been able to hold my own with sighted tuners.

And as a result, I have tuned over 10,000 piauos in and around Sheffield, and this practically without advertising. I have also done a little music

teaching.

I received my certificate for tuning at the College, Christmas, 1884, and started as a tuner in Sheffield, where I have ever since managed to make a good living for myself and family, and am glad to say that last year has been one of the best I have yet known. In the winter of 1898 I started in business as a dealer in musical instruments.

I am, dear Dr. Campbell, yours sincerely, THOMAS SHEPPARD, G.S.

In reply to your letter of the 28th inst., I have very great pleasure in testifying to the efficiency and excellence of the training given at the Royal Normal College.

It was my privilege to receive the whole of my education at the Royal Normal College, and this occupied a period of nine years, which, considering the number of subjects taken, and the extent of the ground covered, seems to me a wonderfully short time in comparison with that occupied by ordinary students engaged in similar work. As to the practical utility of the training afforded, I may say that, during the last twenty-two years, I have successfully practised as an organist and teacher of music, and have been

comfortably self-supporting. To succeed in doing this by the practice of music as a profession, against the present keen competition, should form a most convincing proof of the soundness of the educational principles and

the efficiency of the methods by which such a result is possible.

I am absolutely certain that only those who have, like myself, received the whole of their education at the College, are able fully to appreciate its intrinsic value, and my own advantages in this respect are subjects of profound gratitude. For further testimony (regarding the quality of my work), I may refer you to my Rector.

I remain, respectfully yours,

It is with more than ordinary pleasure that I respond to your invitation to let you know how I am getting on. After studying at the College for five years, I obtained my certificate in 1886, and have since then been working up a good pianoforte-tuning connection and business. I am supporting myself and wife, with a family of three children, in comfort. My business takes me into all the Home Counties, as well as into Somerset, where I have carried on a branch tuning business for the last twelve years. In addition to the invaluable training given at the Royal Normal College, the great success of so large a proportion of its students is due to the teaching of self-reliance and self-respect enforced there. Gratefully acknowledging the many benefits you have conferred upon me, I am, dear Doctor Campbell,

Yours very sincerely, JAMES HAWES, G.S.

It is with much pleasure that I testify to the efficient training received at the Royal Normal College. Since leaving, in 1891, I have been entirely self-supporting, having had no relations from whom I could receive help.

I have been fairly successful in the various subjects for which I was trained. I now hold the post of pianoforte tuner at Messrs. Cramer and Sons, Liverpool.

1 remain, yours very sincerely, BERESFORD JANKINSON, G.S.

I can only speak in terms of unmixed praise and gratitude respecting my

training at the College.

I was admitted to the College simply as a student of the tuning department; but in addition to the splendid practical training received there. I was encouraged to take up studies in pianoforte playing, voice production, and harmony, also in mathematics and other sciences, to say nothing of the opportunities placed in my way for the pursuit of literary subjects.

Had my term at the College been longer, I could of course have accomplished more in many directions; but my training in the tuning department was such that, during the twenty-four years I have been working for myself, I have never had the humiliation of finding myself baffled by any class of

work I have been asked to undertake.

Speaking of my general success, I have been able to provide for a wife and family, besides aged relatives, for the past fifteen years; but I regret to state that, in consequence of much personal ill-health, domestic troubles, heavy business losses, and many other unavoidable causes. I am in low-water just now. However, I am resolved never to lower my standard of work, for what is right must surely prevail in the end.

I am glad to say, though this is an unmusical neighbourhood, that my prospects have improved considerably during the past year. The two concerts I have given have been very successful, and they have proved of value to me indirectly as well as directly. While at College, the difficulties of life present themselves in a very different form to that which they assume in actual experience, and I shall always feel much indebted not only to the College for the excellence of its instruction, but also to you for your frequent insistence upon the necessity of unremittingly attacking all difficulties, however apparently insurmountable. The good work of the College is bound to be more and more generally recognised, to the steady but certain decrease of the prejudice against the Blind which at present exists. Best thanks for your kind interest in my welfare since I have left the College.

Yours truly,
HERBERT C. WARRILOW, G.S.

I have now been in business for 12 years, and although I am not making a fortune, I am making a comfortable living, and that is something in these days of keen competition. My first year in business was very discouraging. It was what one might call a cipher, but as I had lost a good half of the little capital I started with, and which I had saved while in a situation, I determined to put all into the concern and try a second year. My turn-over now is £1,500 a year, which, for a town of this size, is not bad. The scope here is of necessity limited, but I think I can still increase the business, and intend to have a try.

After leaving the College, I was six months in my first situation, and six

years in my second, when I started business on my own account.

Many thanks for the kind wishes bestowed on unc and mine. I sincerely hope that both you and Mrs. Campbell may be long spared to encourage and adviso us. The short but eventful history of the Royal Normal College, if ever written, will prove that the successes won by its pupils are largely due

to the efforts and example of yourself and Mrs. Campbell.

You would like us to describe our position, and to state what the Royal Normal College has done for us. I am both proud and thankful to be able to say that it has made a man of me in the fullest, truest, and therefore the best sense of the word. It has enabled me to become a husband and father, to have a comfortable home of my own, and a voice in the legislation of my country. What more can the man who has to earn his daily bread desire?

When I look back at what I might have been and compare it with what I am, I have indeed cause to be grateful and proud of being able to bear some small testimony to the value and work of the Royal Normal College and its Principal.

Believe me, affectionately yours, JOSHUA CAWOOD, G.S.

I have great pleasure in giving you a short sketch of my career since leaving the College in 1892. My first step in the business world was an appointment as typist in a general merchant's office; my duties were to write letters from dictation, or have the letters read to me, and answer them accordingly. In my spare time I took short walks about the city, so as to get used to the trailic and the crossing of the busy streets. I gradually increased my walks until I got a thorough knowledge of the town, and now

I can find my way anywhere. I had a good deal to overcome in learning the way; sometimes I got lost. I was knocked down three times by cabs, but,

fortunately, never much hurt.

In 1895, I went into business with my brother as "Property Brokers," my duties being to write the letters, interview people in the office, and call at other offices. In order to find the buildings and offices, my clerk would turn them up in the directory, and tell me the number of doors along a certain street, and when I once found an office I took good care not to forget it.

At the beginning of this year we turned our business into a limited company, and I was made cashier. I have never given a wrong coin, or more essential still, I have never accepted one. I have throughout had great financial success, and am happy to say the 2d. rise in the income tax this

year has cost me some pounds.

I am afraid you will think this letter very boastful, but I do not take any credit to myself. My sneess is due to the splendid training I received at the College, where we were taught that nothing was too difficult for us to do, you always setting us the example. I still continue the splendid physical training you gave me. I am up in the morning at half-past six, cold bath, dumb-bells, then a gallop on horseback from seven till eight o'clock, breakfast, then a three-mile walk to my office; office hours, half-past nine to half-past six, a walk home, dinner, then, weather permitting, a cycle run. I have had several enjoyable cycle tours on the Continent, but my great ambition is to follow your example, climb Mont Blanc, and also to cycle round the world.

Yours respectfully, J. H. MINES.

I am glad to bear my testimony on behalf of the splendid work done by the R.N.C. in the interest of the Blind. Entering the College at the age of eight, and remaining there for nine years, I can only attribute the major portion of my training to the excellent methods employed there. Since leaving the Institution I have pursued my studies in the musical profession, which I have adopted, and have taken the Diploma of F.R.C.O., and have passed the first and second examinations for Mus. Bac. at Oxford, hoping to present myself for the final in the Spring.

On leaving Norwood in July of 1887, I was resident in a small country village, where there was absolutely no employment for me, so I removed to a place where I soon obtained a temporary organ appointment and several pupils, and since that time I have been wholly self supporting. At present I hold the position of Organist and Choirmaster of the Parish Church here.

which I have held for ten years.

Yours sincerely,
J. WIHTESIDE, G.S.

I came to England in 1892 hoping to obtain an entrance to the College, but found a fee was required of £60 a year. This I was unable to pay myself, nor had I any friends who could help me, when you most kindly came to my aid and found a lady who generously supplied the funds.

I had but a scant knowledge of music, and none whatever of the tuning profession, but after three years and eight months of the efficient training at the College I passed the necessary examination, which allowed me to proclaim myself a "Certificated Tuner," and from that day I gradually worked my way till now I am in receipt of a very good income, which every year increases, and I am also enabled to assist two of my old colleagues.

I shall always think with deepest gratitude of the kindness you and the

officers of the College showed to mc-a stranger in a strange land.
Yours very sincerely,

IBRAHIM KHUDER.

I am pleased to be able to report that I have had another good year with my teaching, ending up in November last with a pupil's recital and presentation of certificates won in the I.S.M. Examinations. I have now been working here nearly fourteen years, and have sueeceded, by patient perseverance, in working up (amid a deal of keen competition) a good connection, having now between fifty and sixty pupils under tuition. Undoubtedly the thorough training I received at the Royal Normal College has fitted me for this fight, and I am proud to be able to say that I am independently carning a good living. I remain.

Yours sineerely, E. J. MARRISON.

I must most certainly attribute my entire success in life to the training which I received at the College, and I must lay special stress on the quality of self-reliance which has always been such an important factor in the training at Norwood. It is to this fact that I largely owe my snecess. Since leaving the College in the summer of 1889, I have been entirely self-supporting. I was already holding an organist's situation at the time of my leaving, and, at your kind recommendation, I was appointed musical stercotyper to the British and Foreign Blind Association. My music teaching also materially assisted me. In May, 1899, as perhaps you may remember, I received my present appointment of organist, worth £50 per year, at which time you again most kindly assisted me to the utmost of your power, for which I am deeply grateful.

One of the greatest difficulties that a blind man has to overcome is the prejudice of the public. They say: "How can a blind man teach my child to read music or to play the piano? etc., ctc.," but thanks to the longcontinued efforts of the College, and to the good work done by those who are already at work in the various communities, this feeling is, to some extent, passing away, although there is still a great deal to be done. The blind man, of course, is handicapped to some extent by the lack of his eyes, and the best advice I can give to all the blind who are in a position to do so, is to get themselves a pair of eyes, or, in other words, to get themselves a good

wife.

l remain, yours very sincerely, CHARLES G. BROAN, G.S.

You will be glad to hear that I have a stock of seldom less than I50 pianos to keep in order, not only with tuning but toning and regulating; baving studied very hard at the last two named, I have at last the satisfaction of being ablo to please some of the most particular men in the trade. The stock comprises French, German, English, American, and Russian pianos. I am often called on to assist in the outdoor work, so you will see I have a busy time. I trust this will be an incentive to the present pupils to work and study, and never despair of overcoming any difficulties which may arise in their path. I have been in my present situation over eleven years, am earning £104 a year, and enjoy the full trust and confidence of my employers.

> I am, yours sincerely, R. P. MOORE.

On leaving the College, my first year's earnings amounted to about £32. This discouraged me a little. I still determined to persevere. In 1878, my business so far improved that I was able to allow my widowed mother £1 a week, and find myself in clothes and extras. This I continued to do until my marriage, which took place ten years later. By that time I was in a position to make my mother an allowance equal to what she would lose by my leaving home. From that time till now my business has slightly improved, so that my present income would be about £140 a year.

My business is made up of pianoforte tuning, playing for dances, and, in

recent years, selling pianos.

ALFRED C. BAYNON.

It is with much regret that I have not answered your letter before, but having been away for some time, I received it only a short time ago.

It gives me great pleasure to testify to the benefits which I obtained during

my course of training at the College,

I have held my present situation as Pianoforte Tuner in this town for three years, and have earned on an average £2 per week, which I hope to increase very shortly.

I remain, yours faithfully, CHAS, BUTCHER, G.S.

You will no doubt be surprised to hear I am at Aldershot. I am now employed by G. Potter and Co., makers of all kinds of musical instruments. I receive 9s. per week more than at Leicester, and have been promised another rise of 5s. per week after September next. I undertake all kinds of repairs with the exception of hammer covering, organs and harmoniums included. I had an excellent reference from my last employer, whom I was with over six years. My earnings last year amounted to £130, but I hope to be able to send you a still better account, all being well, for the close of the present year.

I am, yours truly, W. T. REYNOLDS, G.S.

It is now more than 13 years since I left the College, and as time goes on I still realise more fully the value of the high standard of training I received there.

I spent nearly 12 years in the situation I entered on leaving the College, and only resigned owing to ill-health. I have since been working on my own account, and appear to have a good prospect if health improves.

My first year has been a bit of uphill work, but business has been growing,

and at present I am fully employed.

I remain, one of your ever grateful old pupils, A. BOOTH, G.S. You will be glad to hear that I am getting on here I have now got twenty-two pupils, and have just been appointed Choirmaster and Organist of Windsor Presbyterian Church. This Church is one of the most important in town, and, although they have only an American organ at present, I am in hopes that they will soon have a pipe organ.

Believe me, yours faithfully.

I have been in my present situation as first outdoor tuner for two years and three months, earning as salary in that time about £200. As I started on a small wage and am now earning a very fair one, I think my success will speak for itself. Besides this, I have obtained a good position in the choir of one of the largest churches in this city

The benefits I now derive are entirely due to the training I received at the College from you and your staff, and I shall ever feel grateful to you for

the same.

1 remain, yours gratefully. C. FRANKLYN SAYERS, G S.

Many thanks for your letter and Christmas greeting. It is now more than seven years since I left the College, and during that time I have worked up a fairly good business on my own account. I have experienced no small kindness at the bands of friends, and although in a district like this business is somewhat seattered, I am glad to say that it continues to increase. Music-teaching is cut very fine indeed here, so that my success lies chiefly in tunings and sales. In the latter I have done fairly well of late, for many of my customers feel that they can trust me in the selection of good instruments.

My nephew (Albert T. Green, G.S.) has asked me to thank you and Mrs. Campbell for your Christmas letter and good wishes for the New Year. He has no change of any kind to report; he is still going on very comfortably with Mr. Firth, and gives satisfaction to all his customers. We are thankful he has done so well since he left the College in 1892, all of which he owes to the good training he received when under your care.

Yours respectfully, HARRY E. DOW

I have now been working up a tuning connection in Rochdale for seven years, and feel quite satisfied with the progress made. I am entirely self-supporting, and have excellent prospects of still further improvement, both in tuning and musical instrument dealing.

Your affectionate ex-pupil,
JAMES BAXTER, G.S.

In answer to your kind enquiries as to the progress I have made since leaving the College, in 1884, I may say that for the first five years I had up-hill work; since that time my business as pianoforte tuner and musical instrument dealer has been steadily increasing. I have as much tuning as I can attend to.

I am, dear Sir, yours faithfully, ALFRED E. PALMER. I am glad to have this opportunity of expressing how much I owe to you

and the Royal Normal College.

After five years' training there, during which time I gave special attention to pianoforte tuning, for which I obtained a certificate, I had about six months' experience in the tuning connection of the College, and then obtained a situation with one of the largest pianoforte dealers in the North of England. I have now been with the firm over six years, which is evidence that I have given satisfaction.

There are few pianoforte tuners equal to those trained at the College (there is no egotism in this statement); the individual lessons which each pupil receives are of great importance in fine tuning, but all-round training is the thing at the College. The school department, the music, the

gymnastics, I could say much about these, but space will not allow.

How I used to enjoy the History and Geography with Mrs. Campbell.

I shall always have very pleasant and grateful recollections of the five years spent at the College.

Yours sincerely, T. DAVIS SIMPSON, G.S.

It gives me great pleasure to write a few lines to yon, telling you how I am progressing with my work. Although I have not been engaged in my business very long, I have made a very fuvourable start, and, in a few years, I hope to do still better. I am engaged both in teaching and tuning. I do more tuning than teaching, but am making satisfactory headway in both. A few months ago I had a pupil for typewriting; he applied for a situation shortly afterwards, and being the only one who understood typewriting, I am pleased to say he received the appointment. I have been self-supporting almost over since I left the College, and shall always feel grateful for the splendid training I received.

I remain, yours faithfully,

W. F. PRESTON, G.S.

I am doing very well; every week brings in new work, and I find if you will make a push yourself, there are lots of people ready and willing to help

you.

I cannot say that I have really had any drawbacks since I was at the College; everything has been going pretty smoothly. I find myself with just about three times as much work as I had last year, and early next year I hope to give a concert with my papils in connection with our church.

I remain, yours sincerely,

J. W. WATSON, G.S.

I am taking this the first opportunity to reply to your kind inquiry regarding my welfare. I am thankful to say that I have made a fair start in business, and my work is gradually increasing. My tuning connection seems promising. I am living with my elder brother, and my earnings are sufficient for my own support.

Yours respectfully, T. SUTTON, G S.

I am highly pleased to be able to tell you that I am making very good progress. I still act as father's private secretary, and have a great deal of writing to do for him. This last eight months, our clerk and I have been acting as deht collectors, though we used to keep a man who did nothing else. I write to the people, and then we call on them together. It is wonderful the effect that the type-written letters have upon them.

I am, dear Dr. and Mrs. Campbell, yours very truly,

J. WILLIAM SAMPSON.

I was very pleased to receive your kind Christmas letter and card, although I only left in the summer. It is very encouraging to hear of the success of

old pupils. Perseverance is at the bottom of it all.

I am glad to say I have recently been kept very busy. My work is scattered; for instance, last Monday I had to go 15 miles south of my home to tune a piano, and the same day I was wanted for one 28 miles in the opposite direction. It so happened that I had two others in the latter place for the next day.

Good-hyc for the present, wishing you both a Very Happy New Year. I remain, yours faithfully,

R. BIRKBECK, G.S.

You will be interested to hear that I am still at Lyon-Halls, and am getting on very well. It will be a pleasant Christmas to me, being the first anniversary of my marriage. I am pleased to say we have a comfortable little home. I only hope all my old fellow-pupils will he as fortanate in domestic as well as business affairs. It only shows how much we owe for for the careful training we received at the College.

I am, yours sincerely, E. BRYON, G.S.

Very many thanks for Mrs. Campbell's and your kind wishes for my Xmas., also for your kind letter with regard to the Church at S It is very good of you to think of my welfare in the way you do. I only hope I may he successful in my application. As you know, it is always my endeavour to be a credit to the College and yourself.

With regard to my work here, I am glad to say I have been doing fairly well during the past year. Besides my Church work I have a very good connection at the High School for Girls in this town. I take Class Singing there every week, and have one of the young ladies as an Organ Pupil. I had the pleasure of conducting the Musical examinations at the end of this term. It is an excellent school, and most of the pupils did remarkably well. I remain, your sincere pupil,

LEONARD S. SMITH, G.S.

I am pleased to tell you I like the firm for whom I work very much, and am in the hope of remaining with them some time. My work lies chiefly indoors, although I have to go out occasionally to tune. You will be glad to hear I am receiving 25s. a week, which I consider a very good heginning. I am, yours sincerely,

H. DOGGETT, G.S.

I was at the College eight years, during which time, besides receiving a good education, I learnt a trade which has enabled me to be entirely self-supporting.

I remain, yours faithfully, CHARLES DEAN, G.S.

I am very pleased to say my work is steadily increasing. I still retain the post as Organist of St. Thomas's Church.

I remain, yours sincerely,

A. ABBOTT, G.S.

Last July I left the firm for whom I had been working for three years, and after a month's holiday I commenced business on my own account. My teaching and tuning connection is steadily increasing, and promises well for the future.

I am, yours faithfully, D. M. COX, G.S.

As for myself, I may say that I am still with my father, helping in the business, but I fill in all my spare time with tuning.

Your loving ex-pupil, C. PREEDY.

I am delighted to have the opportunity of testifying, with others, to the great benefits derived from a course of training in the Royal Normal College, for I feel still, as I have always felt, that without that training, I should never have been fitted for the position I now hold.

It is rather more than seventeen years since I was first appointed teacher of music in this Institution, and during the whole of that time I have been in receipt of a salary which has rendered me entirely self-supporting.

I think all must be agreed as to the inestimable value of the lessons received at Norwood. Educational, physical, and moral, I believe they are bearing fruit in our lives day by day, and will continue to do so till our work here is finished. I think, too, that the rigid discipline, if not always palatable at the time, has a lasting and most beneficial influence on the characters of the pupils, especially in the ease of those who are preparing to be teachers in schools, and are looking forward to having large numbers of children under their charge, for unless the teacher has first learned the necessity for prompt and implicit obedience, it is scarcely likely that he or she will demand it from the pupils, and endless discomfort to both will be the inevitable result.

I shall never forget it was you who recommended me for this post; it was one of the many kindnesses you showed me in no stinted measure. I shall always remember how, when left an orphan with few to care what became of me, you so generously eame to my assistance, and made it possible for me to obtain the education which has proved of such service to me ever since.

I remain, yours faithfully, LAURA INSKIP.

I have been entirely self-supporting for the last fifteen years, having been employed as music-mistress in the Swansca and South Wales Institution for the Blind for that period.

Previous to that, I had the privilege of studying for four years at the Royal Normal College. I cannot speak too highly of the training which I received while there, and it is to that, as well as to your kind recommenda-

tion, to which I owe my present success.

It is a pleasure to feel that, after all these years, we are still in touch with the R.N.C. I know of no other school or college in England where such a lively interest is taken in the welfare of the ex-pupils. I trust that the R.N.C. will still continue to increase its sphere of usefulness, and that you both may be given the health and strength to earry on the good work. Yours gratefully,

HANNAH HAWES, G.S.

It is with real pleasure that I reply to your inquiries concerning my well-being. It is now close upon seventeen years since I left Norwood, and from that day to this I have not only supported myself entirely, but have been able to give assistance to those less fortunate than myself. During this time I have had a great many "ups" and a few "downs," but with persistently sticking to I have removed or surmounted the difficulties which have met me. This I attribute without reserve to the sensible and sub-stantial training which I received at the Royal Normal College; and here let me thank you, and those who assisted you, for giving me such a fair start in life.

I am, yours faithfully, L. HOLDEN, G.S.

It is always a pleasure to me to state the benefits I have received by my College training. When I finished my course, I was appointed Assistant Teacher at Norwood, which position I held for two-and-a-half years. You then secured for me the position of head mistress of the School for Blind Children, Leeds, where I remained six years, the latter part of which time I was in receipt of £85 per annum. From the time of my Leeds appointment until my marriage, I was able to support, not only myself, but also my uother.

> I remain. Yours gratefully, F. M. AWCOCK, G.S.

For fifteen years I have been in Leeds, having left the College in 1886. Since 1890, I have been teaching under the School Board, and as I have received nothing but kindness from both them and the inspectors, I think I may conclude that my work is satisfactory. My salary is £65 per annum.

Whatever success I may have achieved, it is owing to you and the unfailing kindness shown me during my career at the College, and I shall never cease to feel deeply indebted to you for all you have done for me.

Yours very sincerely, HARRIET M. HAWES, G.S.

I am happy to tell you that my work goes on satisfactorily, and that after Christmas I hope to begin work under far more advantageous conditions. I have a nice new centre built, with accommodation for thirty children. Commencing my work under the London School Board, in 1879, I have had several rises in salary. Since I left the College, I have been entirely self-supporting. I am buying the house I am in, and this may afford additional interest.

> Yours faithfully, MARIAN WEAVER.

As we are all three working together, we thought you would not object to a joint letter. We feel deeply indebted to the College training, for we know that, without it, we could not have been self-supporting, as, we are thankful to say, we are at the present time. From the beginning to the end of our College eareer, the necessity of self-help, and the spirit of "Give-and-Take," has been constantly instilled in us, and now, in our every-day work, we feel the benefit of such teaching.

We have a great many visitors at our centre, most of them being students from the St. John's and Southlands Colleges, and it is always a source of pleasure to us to inform them that we were formerly students of the Royal Normal College, and to be able to tell them a little about the work which is done there. If during the course of conversation we find that they have not visited the College, we strongly advise them to do so at their earliest

opportunity, so that they may really see for themselves.

A gentleman, to whom we gave this advice some weeks ago, said that he did not think it necessary to visit the College in order to see the work, for he

saw plainly here the fruit of the work which is earried on there.

There is nothing which we learned during our College life which we have not been able to put into practical use. Our work among blind children is steadily on the increase, and our chief aim at the present time is to keep up the reputation of blind teachers, and to show clearly the position which they may make. All that now remains for us to do is to thank you, Mrs. Campbell, and all the members of the staff, for the heart-felt interest which you and they have ever felt on behalf of the Blind as a class.

Yours faithfully, K. NORRIS, G.S., F. BRAUTIGAM, G.S., E. WHITEHOUSE, G.S.

You ask me to tell you of some of the benefits I received while at the College. Well, I could write a book if I had time and strength. Sufficient to say that I have eaught the will-infection from you, and that enables me to get through more days than my physical powers would allow. When the Great Book is opened, you may know what I learned in my childhood days. I left Norwood before I was seventeen years old, and shall have been at work for seventeen years on the sixth of January, 1902. And now, I fear, my short but very busy work is nearly at an end. I do not dread the future, for I know the God who has always supplied my needs, will not leave me when I am no more able to work for my bread.

Believe me, yours very sincerely, LEAH GOLDBERG.

I shall never forget that I owe all to my College training. I received, while a student at Norwood, not only lessons to develop both mind and body, but also those of patience and perseverance, without which no ultimate success can be gaiued. I do not think I appreciated sufficiently the benefits of such lessons while I was an inmate of the College, but since I have had to face and battle with the world, and place myself on an equal footing with other teachers, I have learned to value them deeply.

For three years I have supported myself entirely, and for this boon I have

to thank Dr. and Mrs. Campbell and the Royal Normal College.
Yours sincerely,

ANNIE GAPE, G.S.

One feels glad of any opportunity of showing what the Royal Normal College has done and is still doing for the benefit and well-being of the

I have been at work for nearly nine years, and am earning a salary of £45 per annum with board. I started at £30, but it has since been raised to the present amount. Since leaving College, therefore, I have been entirely self-

supporting.

Whatever measure of success I may have had is wholly and entirely due to the training which I received at the College. It is impossible to estimate all the benefits one receives from the College, but it seems to me that one of the greatest is the lesson which all its students are taught, that perseverance, patience, and love of work for its own sake, are stepping-stones to a suecessful career.

To me, personally, the College has been much more than an ordinary training school; it has been a second home. Every time I visit it there is something fresh to learn, always some improvement to adopt in the next

term's work.

The great secret of the success of the College is, that it teaches its students to study for themselves; it sends them out thoroughly equipped for the battle of life.

l am, dear Dr. Campbell, yours sincerely, NELLIE WILEY, G.S.

In 1896, arrangements were made for the pupils of the College to take the Government Examinations for elementary teachers, and I numbered with the first who sat for Queen's Scholarship in July of that year. In the two following years I took respectively first and second years' Certificate Examinations, and was fortunate enough to obtain a double first in my second year. Owing to the death of my father in 1897, I was very anxious to support myself, and I therefore took a position as private governess to a little blind girl. I stayed for nearly thirteen months, and then took some temporary work in London, after which I came to my present situation.

Thanks for your kind interest in me. Since I left College I have been able, not only entirely to support myself, but also to help my mother and to assist in the payment of the fee necessary for my brother's continuance at

College.

I remain, yours very sineerely, NELLIE ADAMS, G.S.

Thank you for your kind Christmas greeting. It is very encouraging to hear and read of the success of the R.N.C. pupils, and I always rejoice at such good news, neither do I ever forget to whom we owe our practical success. I try to go steadily on, doing my best, teaching thirty-three dear blind children, along with two seeing teachers. We usually obtain very good reports after the Government Examinations. I have been in my present school ever since I left your kindly care and training in 1893. I begin to feel a pillar in my school, for there is not a teacher, matron, or even a servant here now that was in the place when I came. H.M.I. having remarked or semethic in the matrix of the place when I came. having remarked on something in the work, in the last report, in a pleasing manner, the committee sent me a little gift in money to show their appreciation when I was coming to London to go to Glasgow with you. I remain, your grateful old pupil,

LIZZIE HUGHES, G.S.

I am sorry to be late in answering your Christmas letter. But, as you wanted to know of our successes during the year, I waited till I heard the result of the Kindergarten Examination. I am glad to tell you that my name appeared among the successful ones, printed in last week's "School Board Gazette." This is only the theoretical part. I have still to pass the practical, before receiving my certificate.

Those of us who hold our parchment certificate are entitled to the same salary as an ordinary teacher, so four of us were raised from £73 to £85 a

year; and we rise by £3 until we get to £140.

I may say that I owe my life happiness to the training I received at the College. Where would most of us have been-who are now earning our own living, on a level with those who have sight-if it had not been for the College?

I remain, your loving pupil, NELLIE SMITH, G.S.

If it is of the slightest benefit to those now in the College to know what we older once are doing, I shall gladly comply with your request, though I

have nothing more than plodding hard work to tell of.

It is more than ten years since I left the College, during which time I have had two situations, the first for a year-and-a-half, and my present one for nine years. All our Government Examinations have been successful, with good reports and full grant. At first, I was the only school teacher, as the school was small, now we have two assistants—one sighted, the other a certificated teacher who was trained at the College, and who, during the time she has been here, has done excellent work.

To you, and to those teachers who gave such willing help during my training at the College, I am indebted for being able to fill my present

position, and I heartily thank you for the help I then received.

I remain, yours gratefully, LUCY O'BRIEN, G.S.

I have nothing so brilliant to tell you of myself; at the same time, I am glad to tell you that I am so far successful in my work, that it gives satisfaction.

Most certainly it is due to the excellent training I received at your College, that I am successfully earning my livelihood.

With kindest regards, I remain yours sincerely,

MARY HARPER, G.S.

I am glad and thankful to say I have been able to support myself since I left the College. For the first two years I had only a few private pupils, and found it a hard struggle to make both ends meet. Often I felt discouraged, and, had it not been for the sympathy of friends, think I should have given up altogether. At length brighter days came, and I received my present appointment under the L.S.B.

H. DELPH, G.S.

I gladly unite with past and present students in testifying to the value of the training received at the College. The high standard of work set before us, the thorough and painstaking instruction given by so enthusiastic a staff of professors and teachers, and above all, your example, which has shown us how to triumph over all difficulties: these are benefits which

we shall learn to value more highly as each year advances. I have been teaching in Leeds for seven years, and whatever I have been able to do for the children, I owe in a great measure to the training received at the College.

Yours very sineerely.

ALICE M. HALLER, G.S.

I have been teaching now for over two years, and during that time have been wholly independent.

I thank you and Mrs. Campbell for your kind Christmas letter and card. Your Christmas letter is a thing to look forward to, for it takes one right back to the old times.

I am, yours sincerely, ALICE BALCHIN, G.S.

It is very pleasant to hear from you every Christmas, and to know a little of what has been passing amongst our College friends during the year. This has been an eventful one for me, having brought me my Government Parehment in June, the crowning point of all my hard work at the College. For the sake of those who are now in training as School Teachers, I would like to say how very useful my music has been to me in the Children's Drill and many other ways, and how requisite a part I think it of one's qualifications.

I remain, yours gratefully, BESSIE THOMAS, G.S.

You will be pleased to hear that I am getting on well. I have been here seven years on the 25th of March. The school has been inspected seven

times, and each time my work has been satisfactory.

I have always felt more than grateful for the happy years spent at the College, which have enabled us to be self-supporting and useful. What can anyone else wish for better than to be an independent man or woman? You have the right to be proud of your old students, and they have also great cause to be proud of their benefactor.

Yours very sincerely, L. A. PERCIVAL, G S.

I have been teaching under the Leeds School Board since August 27th, 1894, and am now earning a salary of £65 a year. Our school has increased rapidly lately, as we have had thirty new children since the summer holidays. My work is almost entirely with the older ones, those in my class being between the ages of thirteen and sixteen. In addition to the ordinary subjects, I teach the Braille shorthand and typewriting.

You will be pleased to hear that I am taking singing lessons this winter, and am finding them very helpful. Of course, I have not much time to give to music, as the school work requires a good deal of thought and preparation.

Before closing, I should like to thank you for your kind Christmas letter, I am quite sure all your old pupils take a loving pride in the success of the dear old College.

I remain, yours sincerely, MAGGIE MACE, G.S.

I entered the Royal Normal College when eight years old. I sat successfully for Scholarship Examination in 1896, and the Certificate Examinations in the two following years. I then took a position in Yarmouth, and afterwards under the London Board. My Parchment was due last April, and I now have it. The musical training I received is of great value, being a source of help and pleasure to others as well as myself.

Yours very sincerely, ISABELLA LUKER, G.S.

Thank you very much for the interesting letter, also for the card. It is indeed very pleasant to feel that we, who have left the College so long ago, are still kept in memory. I was sorry to hear you had lost so many friends and supporters, but I trust others will be found who will take a pleasure in helping those less fortunate than themselves, to be placed where they can be trained for useful men and women, able to take their proper stand in life, instead of being useless burdens upon parents, or living upon the charity of others.

Although it is eleven years since I left, I look back with pleasure to my studies, not forgetting the delightful geography lessons with Mrs. Campbell,

which are still fresb in my memory.

I am boping to commence the year with twenty pupils-it may be moreas I have several new ones.

I am, yours sincerely, GRACE BRUNEL, G.S.

I should indeed be sorry to miss the opportunity of expressing my gratitude for the many and great advantages which I received while a student of the College. I spent five of the happiest years of my life there; for, although I often found my work difficult (for I was by no means clever), there were always those who were ready to give a helping hand.

You will remember that, in the October of '87, you sent me to Bradford, as supply, and I believe that the members of the Board were perfectly

satisfied with my work.

In the following year I went to Revesby, in Lincolnshire, where I successfully prepared a little boy for the College for Gentlemen's Sons, near

In '90, I was appointed to my present post. There were then twenty-two pupils in the school, now there are sixty-seven, and, as you already know, I have three assistants, all having been trained at the R.N.C. We have been under Government inspection since '95, and have always had satisfactory examinations, and the highest possible grants.

Thanks to the excellent training I received while at Norwood, I bave been

able to support myself entirely for the last fifteen years.

Yours always gratefully, C. V. GIRDWOOD, G.S. The following letters furnish additional interesting testimony to the results of the College education and training:—

Letters from Clergymen, Pianoforte firms, &c.

13, South Park Terrace,

Glasgow.

I have much pleasure in writing you, at the request of my friend, Mr. Arrol, regarding Mr. Fred Turner, one of the old pupils in your College.

Mr. Turner has been organist in Wellington Church for 17 years. His playing on the organ can hardly be surpassed, and for all these years there has not been a single hitch in any service.

As choirmaster he is a thoroughly efficient teacher. Under his training

the choir has made marked improvement. He is greatly esteemed and loved by the choir and the congregation.

I remain, yours truly,

JAMES BLACK, D.D.

Aldford Rectory, Chester.

I hasten to reply to your letter regarding our organist, Mr. J. W. Scorah.

He has, as you say, been here for many years, six of which I have been rector of the parish. I fear that I can only write of my dear friend, for that he is, in language that will appear exaggerated to those who do not know him as I know him.

First of all, I should like to say that it is not only as an organist that Mr. Scorah is admirable, but his general influence in the parish is beyond expression. There is no work for the general good in which he is not deeply interested, while his sound Churchmanship and his perfect manners are exactly what are required in a country parish where Churchmanship has

been slack and manners rough.

For nearly thirty years I have had much to do with the training of choirs and their general superintendence, but I never open my lips at the Aldford Choir Practices. To be present at these practices is indeed an education. The marvellous skill and patience of the man, the personal devotion of the choir to him, the deep reverence when, for example, we are preparing for a choral celebration, the purity of his enunciation, the quality of voice which he produces from the boys, these and many other things set him, to my mind, in a class of the very best choirmasters in the Kingdom. That he has won a unique place in this district may be shown from the fact that, when we make arrangements for our ruridecanal joint choral festival, there is never any question as to who is to be conductor and trainer of the combined choirs—of course, it is Mr. Scorah. This is a theme on which I could dilate at much greater length, but that I fear I shall weary you. I can only assure you, in conclusion, that I have not in any one particular exaggerated.

Yours faithfully,
A. GOLDING LEWIS.

18, Harold Road, Norwood, S.E.

The experience we have had of Miss Emily Lucas, for several years now, as organist at St. Andrew's, has amply justified what you said when you recommended her for the appointment. She has shown herself, as a player, singularly conscientious, capable, and sympathetic; and, as a teacher in training our little choir, she has discovered quite marvellous aptitude, intelligence, freshness, and politeness. I have had several people speak to me in terms of the highest praise concerning her singular aptness as a teacher. I count it a treat myself to be present, as often as I cau, when our choir meets for practice, just that I may observe the deft way in which she handles the choir, and pick up some lessons in time, articulation, and expression myself.

do not need to say anything to you now as to the esteem in which we held Mr. Hollins, but we are doubly indebted to you that we have obtained a

second good gift in the person of Miss Lucas from the R.N.C. Yours very faithfully,

JOHN G. TRAIN.

Campbill, Paisley.

I have much pleasure in expressing the satisfaction of my eongregation and myself with the services of Mr. H. S. Turner, who has been organist and choirmaster at Sherwood for several years. I am the more ready to do so, as originally I was somewhat prejudiced against the appointment of a blind man. My prejudices have been entirely dispelled. Mr. Turner has triumphed over his difficulties in a quite remarkable fashion, so that one almost forgets his want of sight. As an organist, he has complete command of his instrument, and his skilful, realistic playing is greatly admired. His recollection of both music and words, and his adaptation of the one to the other, is extraordinarily good, and I am not in any way handicapped in the arrangement of the service. As choirmaster, Mr. Turner is also very successful, having complete control over the members of his choir, and the power of infusing into them a good deal of his own enthusiasm. Since he was appointed, the choir has reached a much higher state of efficiency, and this is due almost entirely to his training. I may add that Mr. Turner has given several organ recitals which have proved his ability to render the most difficult music in the most satisfactory manner.

R. SANGSTER ANDERSEN.

Wallacetown, Dundee.

Seven years ago, Mr. Joshua S. Brand was, on the recommendation of a competent expert, appointed organist and choirmaster in my church, and during that time I have been led to form a good opinion of the man and his

As a musician he has distinct natural ability; he has been thoroughly educated and equipped, and experience has materially increased his

professional proficiency.

He is a good Church organist, both his selection and execution showing good taste and sound judgment. As a choirmaster he is intelligent and painstaking, and he invariably maintains pleasant relations with and among the members of his choir. He is an accomplished vocalist, and is most willing to assist in every congregational enterprise.

His character is mimpeachable; he is a Communicant, and personally I have always found him most loyal and obliging. He has a wonderful memory, which has been carefully cultivated, and which seems never to fail him.

I consider Mr. Brand entirely worthy of professional preferment, and have pleasure in recommending him. JAMES M. CAMPBELL.

St. Andrew's, Waterloo

It gives me peculiar pleasure to testify to the excellent professional work of Mr. Henry Marshall, organist, M'Cheyne Church, Dundee. For nearly two years I had the benefit of his assistance in conducting the services in M'Cheyne Church, and I speak not only for myself but for the congregation when I say that we regarded his work as in the highest degree satisfactory. Not only is he a skilful musician, but he is also a most sympathetic interpreter of the spirit of worship. His work as choirmaster was equally successful, being characterised by the utmost carefulness, which, however, never degenerated into nagging or querulousness. His relations with the minister, choir, and member of the congregation have always been most agreeable. In leaving Dundee for a new sphere of labour, one of my keenest regrets has been the parting with my friend and organist, Mr. Marshall.

ALEC. ALEXANDER, M.A. (Minister of St. Andrew's, Waterloo, Liverpool.)

5, Westfield Terrace, Aberdeen

I have much pleasure in stating that Mr. Stericker gives the fullest satisfaction as organist in my church here. His mastery over the instrument is wonderful. His power of expression is equally great. He seems to remember every word of the hymn he accompanies, and the result is that he interprets it with absolute taste. His lack of sight seems to be no hindranee to his work as an organist.

Yours very truly,
W. MACKINTOSH MACKAY, M.A., B.D.
(Minister of Free Sonte Church, Aberdeen.)

The Rectory, Morecambe,

Dear Sir,—In answer to the enquiry as to your pupils, I have pleasure in stating that Mr. Whiteside, who was trained with you, seems to be capable of doing everything; he can play the whole service, Psalms, Hynns—in which his memory never fails him. I have known him give an organ recital and play in three quintets in a week. He read his Cæsar with me at a remarkably rapid pace for his Mus. Bac. He can play chess, skate, row, and join in other sports, and his memory is unerring.

He certainly does credit to any school where he was trained. He is an

F.R.C.O., and hopes soon to take his Mus. Bac., Oxford.

Yours truly, C. V. GORTON.

"Berisall," Normanton Road, South Croydon,

Dr. F. J. Campbell.

Dear Sir,—I have great pleasure in responding to your request, and informing you that Mr. Aug. F. Lander, A.R.C.O., has held the position of organist at South Croydon Congregational Church for more than ten years. His character as well as his ability and uniform efficiency have won the entire confidence of the congregation. He has at all times been ready to assist ou special occasions in the performance of musical services, and has proved himself altogether competent; a most accurate and sympathetic performer.

Allow me to say that I much rejoice in the noble work that your College

is doing.

I am, dear Sir, yours very truly, ALDEN DAVIES. (Minister of South Croydon Congregational Church.)

19, The Boltons, S.W.

You ask my experience as Chairman of the Indigent Blind Visiting Society of the Royal Normal College. Among our visitors we have two: one, C.T.B., who has served the Society for many years; and the other,

G.N., a comparatively recent recruit

Of the first, C.T.B., it is quite impossible to speak too highly. Thoroughly earnest and devoted to his work, he has that spirit of resourcefulness and determination to conquer difficulties which your education at Norwood does so much to develop. This was specially displayed in the case of a blind and deaf boy, of whom he wrote an interesting account. Moreover, he is possessed of some literary faculty, and his reports, always full of graphic touches, are quite the best that the committee receive.

Of the second, G.N., I can only say that he promises well, and that we are thoroughly satisfied with him. I asked a solitary blind man, a friend of mine, the other day if he looked forward to G.N.'s visits. "Look forward, sir," he said, "I should think I did; just as a child looks forward to its

Sunday penny."

Moreover his musical gifts and well-trained voice are a constant source of

pleasure at our classes and meetings.

Please forgive my delay in answering your letters, which I overlooked. Ever, dear Dr. Campbell, yours very truly,

JOHN TENNANT, Chairman, I.B.V.S.

P.S.-I had forgotten, in writing this, that G.P., who is one of our younger visitors, is also from the Royal Normal College. He has not the musical gifts of G.N., but he is a thorough painstaking and conscientions visitor, and likely to prove a useful worker in the cause.

52, St. George's Road,

Leyton, Essex.

Knowing the deep interest you have in your College, I feel it will be a satisfaction to you to know of the successful teaching of my daughter by one of your former students, Mr. George Carter. He commenced teaching her the pianoforte in 1897 (she had had a little tuition previously), and from the first the successful results obtained from his method of teaching were very apparent and continuous. She has been successful in the Examinatious of the Society of Arts, also the Associated Board of the Royal Academy and Royal College of Music. Mr. Carter has always told me that he taught as he was taught, and I am only writing this to show you how very much I appreciate the results to my daughter of the method of teaching given at your College, although coming to her in a measure second hand.

Yours sincerely, A. K. JOHNSON

33, Great Pulteney Street,

London, W.

With regard to the blind tuner employed herc, Jackson, I cannot speak too highly of his skill and industry. You will, perhaps, remember that when you and I were, in 1887, examined by the Royal Commission, I spoke hesitatingly about the practicability of our house engaging a blind tuner for the showrooms, and you commented upon my doubt. I am bound to say Jacksou has shown me my fear was uncalled for, although, perhaps, excusable from the novelty, at that time, of the circumstance.

Yours faithfully, A. J. HIPKINS.

45, Horseferry Road, Westminster, S.W.

In reply to your enquiry, we have pleasure in informing you that Kuyper is still with us. He is a very excellent tuner and a very industrious young

John Gill died suddenly a year ago. He had been foreman tuner at our factory for years, and was both a clever tuner and an excellent foreman, managing those under him admirably, in spite of his disadvantages. We greatly regretted his death.

Yours faithfully. JOHN BROADWOOD & SONS, Limited. (GEO. ROSE, Director.)

103, New Bond Street, London, W.

We are in receipt of your favour of 21st inst., and have pleasure in informing you that the three tuners you mention have given us entire satisfaction. Mr. Moore has been here eleven years, and continues to give both our customers and ourselves complete satisfaction.

We are, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

ARCHIBALD RAMSDEN, Limited.

152, Buehanau Street, Glasgow

We are in receipt of your favour of the 5th, and have pleasure in informing you that Mr. Robert Wyllie is still in our employment, and continues to discharge his duties to our satisfaction

We are, yours faithfully,

PATERSON, SONS & CO

68, Buxton Road, Huddersfield.

Re Testimonial.-We have much pleasure in testifying as to the abilities of Mr. Herbert Atkinson as a practical tuner. He has been in our employ for the past nine years, and we have always found him trustworthy and reliable, his work giving every satisfaction

Yours faithfully, A HANSON & CO

96, Leeds Road, Bradford. February 10th, 1902

Dear Sir. Respecting my tuners, I may say that Whitaker has now been in my employ about twenty three years; Greaves, about sixteen, and I have always found their work most satisfactory.

I remain, yours faithfully,

SAMUEL WALKER.

The following extracts from speeches at a Public Meeting held in the Mansion Honse on 27th June, last year, may further illustrate the claims of the College :-

The distinctive object of the College is to train blind The Rt. Hon. pupils so as to qualify them to support themselves in bell. M.P. respectable positions. The chief occupations or professions for which the pupils are trained include organ playing, music teaching, and piano tuning, and, in order that they may become proficient in these pursuits, a thoroughly good education is given to them at the College. Recently a department has been added, under Government inspection, for training school teachers. They are brought in the plastic years of their youth to the College; they are tanght in such a way that they become interested in their work, with every attention to their health and physical development; they are made self-reliant, alert, handy, intelligent, and to a good general education there is superadded a thorough training in music. In every way it is sought to fit them for such employments as will make them self-supporting. The friends of the College do not disparage the work which other Institutions are doing for the benefit of the Blind by teaching handicrafts, &c., but this College has a different and a higher aim, and it is believed that its example has greatly raised the standard of the education for the Blind throughout the kingdom.

The Royal Normal College for the Blind at Norwood Canon is the pioneer and pattern of all similar Colleges elsewhere. The pupils go forth into the world well equipped for the battle of life-on almost equality of terms with the Seeing. They are thoroughly trained, and become efficient and wellinstructed musicians. They earn good salaries, and become happy, self-supporting, useful members of Society. What words can express our gratitude and admiration of work like this? What would be the dark and miserable

condition of hundreds of our afflicted brethren were it not for the loving and Christian solicitude of those truly Christlike men who seem, in very fact, to give light to the Blind? That we may call this splendid College our own, and save from £500 or £600 a year in interest, all that is required is £15,000. In God's good time some rich woman or rich man will, I doubt not, enrich themselves by enriching those who, without Him, would be poor indeed. If we cannot give large sums, let us at once make ourselves members of that band of two thousand, whom we want to rally to our cause as subscribers of £1 1s. a year each.

The Resolution which I have to move, reads as follows:—

Rev. H. J. R. Marston. "That having special regard to the fact that of every one hundred pupils of the College eighty-nine become self-supporting, this Meeting warmly congratulates the Promoters and Principal of the College, and earnestly commends the work to the public for wider recognition and support on grounds alike of philanthropy, education, and economy."

We appeal for the support to the Normal College on grounds of public economy, no less than on grounds of Christian charity; it is better, we say, for the community to take one hundred blind persons and to make eighty-nine of them self-supporting, than to allow the one hundred to remain a dead loss to society. Now consider this from the money point of view: you cannot support a hundred blind persons for less than fifty pounds a week; that is computing at ten shillings a head, a sum sufficient only for the bare necessities of existence, and allowing no room for amusement, instruction, holiday, sickness, or other contingencies. But fifty pounds a week means two thousand six hundred pounds a year. That, you will say, is not a very large sum; but if you remember that there are

thirty thousand blind people in these kingdoms, and then if you calculate what it eosts to keep them, even at the same low figure of ten shillings a week, you will find that the sum required is about three-quarters of a million. Thus you begin to perceive that, from a mere money point of view, it is a very important question, How can you make the Blind self-sustaining? Now the money aspect of a thing is not its only aspect, is not its highest aspect, but it is a very real aspect, and a very important one; and to enable eighty-nine out of every hundred Blind people to become self-supporting, means that you transfer many thousands a year from the side of loss to the side of gain for the whole community. Now it is precisely this which the College has been able to do with respect to eighty-nine out of every hundred scholars who have passed completely through its hands; and my contention is that, if you apply its principles to the whole Blind community, you may expect parallel results, though not perhaps identical Anyhow, you will go in the right direction; you will go towards making the Blind remunerative. instead of leaving them unprofitable; they will in many cases become an asset, instead of remaining a bad debt. This I am eertain is sound political economy, as it is also sound Christianity; it is in harmony with the teachings of St. Paul, and with the doctrines of Adam Smith, and Chalmers and Stuart Mill. It is to pursue a line of treatment which tends towards human improvement, towards the benefit of the community, and, therefore, towards the glory of God.

One of the things recognised in the Royal Normal College is that the teaching shall be of the most thorough kind. This I say from my own knowledge, because I have been able to help Dr. Campbell in preparing the musical curriculum, and I do know it is as thorough there as in the Royal College of Music, the Royal Academy of Music,

W. H. Cummings, Esq., Mus. Doc., Principal Guildhall School of Music.

or my own Guildhall School of Music. I confess I feel somewhat disheartened that a great College which has been, and is doing, such noble work, is wanting in funds. When I think of the amount given for the education of the sighted, I do say it is a terrible thing that here in London such an Institution should be in debt.

br. C. F. Fraser, Superintendent. School forth Blind, Halifax, N.S.

It affords me a very great deal of pleasure to have the opportunity of speaking to-day-especially for this resolution, a resolution which I most heartily endorse, and a resolution which expresses more to me perhaps than it would to many in this audience. The statement is made that 89 per cent. are self-supporting. We are asked to endorse the management of that Institution, recognise the work of the Principal, and request more generous support on the part of the people. Now let me say that London should be practical in this. It is an Institution not for London alone or Great Britain only, but for the whole world. It is an Institution recognised in Canada, America, and wherever the education of the Blind is best carried on. as a model. Now I am a Canadian, and we are very practical in Canada; we generally come to the point very quickly and not wait. I have been an educator of the Blind for twenty-eight years. We have what we consider is an excellent school for the Blind, and we have no reason to feel ashamed of it. Eighty per cent. of our pupils are self-supporting, earning their living as men and women nobly and well. I find, in the statistics of Dr. Campbell's, that 89 per cent. are self-supporting. Of course, I have no doubt whatever, as a Canadian, that if Dr. Campbell had the good luck to have Canadian boys and girls, his successful candidates would reach 100; but I consider, joking aside, that the percentage is simply marvellous. I know very well, as one who is deprived of sight, the troubles and difficulties he has to contend with, and I know very well that you might spend double the

amount of money spent on the Royal Normal College and not accomplish one-third the results accomplished there. We in Canada look upon London as the eentre of our empire. We come to London if we want to raise money for a good enterprise; we come to London for the wherewithal. Now I am not coming to ask the people of London for £20,000 for my School—though I should very much like to. I do not fear but what I can get all I want at home, therefore I do not come as a beggar for my ownbut I do come to ask for help for the Royal Normal College. It is a model College, as I have said before to the boys and girls at home, it is the beaeon light to the world. Now you will see that, if Canada can contribute forty thousand dollars, or £8,000, the people of this Metropolis ean contribute £15,000. The College is recognised as one of the best. Dr. Campbell is regarded as one of the ablest and most skilled teachers of the Blind, and I hope that the funds will be found to place him in such a position that he will be entirely free from all anxiety in regard to funds. I am truly thankful for this opportunity of speaking, because I do it from my heart.

In the antumn of last year, while a party of the Students were giving musical and gymnastic performances at the International Exhibition at Glasgow, the following letter from the Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee appeared in the Glasgow Herald:-

(To the Editor of the Glasgow Herald.)

Sir,-Many who were among the crowded audiences Sir J. which last week witnessed the performances of the blind students at the Exhibition, may like to hear something of the College at Norwood from which they hail. It is, indeed, one of the most interesting places in Britain.

Nothing seems more hopeless than the task of enabling a blind child to make its own way in the world. It is a

task which our forebears never attempted. Their blind children grew up objects for charity, repaying something, perhaps with harp or song or story, but always dependent on the kindness and forbearance of other people.

The College turns out independent men and women, quite fit to compete with other people in a profession—that of music—of which they are thoroughly masters. The pupils find employment because it pays people to employ them.

The Concert Hall at the Exhibition is witness to their proficiency in music. How does a blind man learn a piece for the piano? This question was asked by many as they left the hall. He reads at sight, or rather at touch—one hand at a time. He follows the embossed score, and reads the music with one hand while he plays with the other. The writer has witnessed surprising instances of rapid reading and accurate memory. He happened to be present on one occasion when Dr. Campbell distributed the parts of a new chant to his choir. The sheets on which it was written had hardly been put into their hands when the signal was given to stand up, and every voice, guided by the hand, sang its proper part with the utmost precision and confidence. On another oceasion, some of the pupils were present at a private concert at which the accompanist failed to turn up. One of the young ladies volunteered to play the accompaniment, but it was written on an ordinary sheet of music, and of course she could not read it. While another song was being snng, she retired to another room (where there was no piano) with a friend to tell her the notes. In a few minutes she returned, sat down at the piano, and played the accompaniment by heart, and admirably well.

There are 150 students at Norwood, and they do not all turn out musicians. Dr. Campbell watches every pupil, and adapts his training to the occupation which suits him best—organist, choirmaster, concert-player, pianoforte

tuner-each according to his talent. The occupation of pianoforte tuner employs many. More than one large firm of piano makers prefer the well-trained blind tuners to any others.

Quite as essential as this special training is the method by which the independence, ingenuity, and health of the pupils is developed: the carpentering, needlework, modelling, swimming, and skating, and, most important of all, the work of the gymnasium. On long cycles, built to carry twelve, with one seeing man to steer, the students think nothing of a run of 100 miles on a holiday. Their gymnastic feats we saw for ourselves last week at the Exhibition.

But no description will give a true idea of the activity and complexity of this remarkable Institution. Of its results it is enough to say that 89 per cent. of the certificated pupils were last year earning their living. Many of them were supporting aged parents. Their earnings for the year amounted to more than £27,000. Everyone who cares to see the ingenious application of an elaborate system to a practical end, ought to visit the College at Norwood. One of the visitor's surprises will be to find that Dr. Campbell himself has been totally blind since he was three years old-a splendid example of what he teaches.

Lastly, we quote the following letter from Mr. F. C. Van Duzer :-

As a member of the Executive Committee of the College, Letter from I can truthfully and honestly say that the strides which Duzer, Esq. have been made of late years in the training of the Blind, and the splendid results which have been achieved, must bring home to us the fact that, notwithstanding the terrible handicap suffered by those who are without sight,

still they are capable of making a position for themselves in the world, if they are only given a chance.

If the work that is being carried on at Norwood were only an experiment, I should hesitate to so strongly bring it to your notice; but it is not an experiment, it is an accomplished fact, and everyone who visits the College must realize the great and noble work that is being achieved. I think the words of His Grace the late Duke of Westminster cannot fail to appeal to everyone of us, whether we are able to do much or little, viz.:—"Possessing God's greatest blessing, sight, may I ask you to remember the sightless?"

Appeal.

In conclusion, I appeal to the British public to help, in this the Coronation year, to crown the practical results which the authorities of this National Institution have achieved during the past thirty years, by giving them that financial support which will enable them to devote their entire energies to educating and training the Blind under their charge, and relieve them from the strain of continual begging.

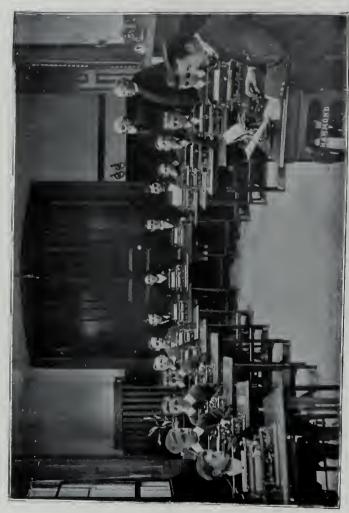
(Signed) F. J. Campbell, Principal.



GARDNER HALL

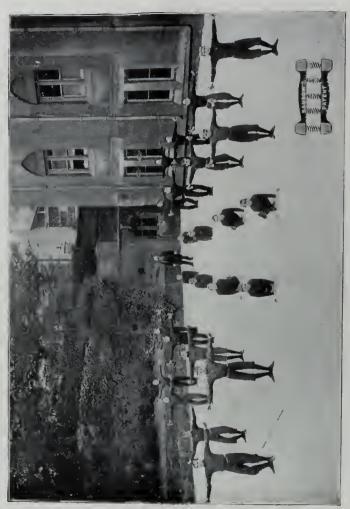
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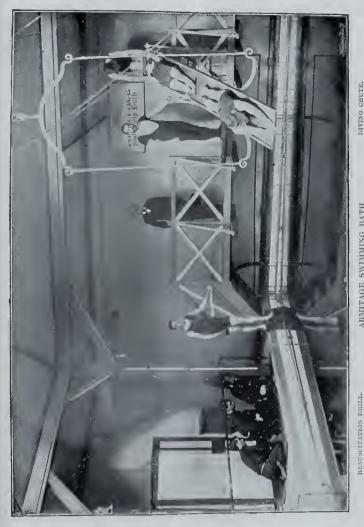
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BOATING LAKE AND PRINCIPAL'S HOUSE ("WINDERMERE"), LOOKING SOUTH.







APPENDIX A.

Prize Festival, July 13.

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On Saturday afternoon last a large and distinguished company of ladies and gentlemen assembled at the College (by invitation of the chairman, Mr. James A. Campbell, M P., and the members of the Executive Committee) to witness the annual prize presentation and the interesting and instructive educational, musical, technical, and physical acquirements of the blind students of both sexes.

Although none too bright (and even at times somewhat threatening), the weather nevertheless was warm, agreeable, and propitious, and for three hours the visitors were enabled to enjoy the beauties of the extensive, flower-

bedeeked, prettily-terraced, excellently-planned grounds.

The Right Hon. the Earl of Aberdeen, who had kindly consented to distribute the prizes, arrived early in the afternoon and manifested the greatest interest in the whole of the proceedings, which commenced at 3 o'clock by an exhibition of typewriting on machines invented by Mr. J. B. Hammond.

School classes in the garden were next visited, the juvenile members of which were being taught reading, composition, arithmetic, &c., by the aid of

the most ingenious mechanisms.

Kindergarten work (including eard sewing, mat and basket weaving, paper folding, modelling in elay, &c.) was the third interesting display,

showing the clever adaptability of the children engaged therein.

Proceeding to the College Hall, a fine organ recital by Mr. Horace Watling was followed by a delightful concert consisting of ehoruses, pianoforte solos, glees, part-songs, &c., given by the male and female students, many of whom gave evidence of their talent at the Paris Conference last year, and will shortly increase their well-earned reputation at the Glasgow Exhibition.

On the skating rink and parade ground various gymnastic exercises (arranged and directed by Mr. Guy M. Campbell) were performed by young men, who displayed quite extraordinary alcrtness, strength, and, above all,

most enviable confidence, in their many vaulting and other feats.

In the Fawcett Gymnasium (so-called after the late Postmaster-General) girls were seen skating on rollers to the accompaniment of the piano with all tbe ease, grace, and evident enjoyment of their more fortunate sisters.

On the Westminster Walk (named after the late Duke, who was so generous a patron of the College), young people were observed revelling in rocking boats and Rob Roys; then cycling on tandems, equipped with several seats. was witnessed, the pace at which the machines were driven so impressing the Earl of Aberdeen that he made happy reference to it in an appropriate,

earnest, and amusing speech.

Other outdoor sports, such as giant strides, Barre du Pied, and rowing, were also seen in full swing, after which the company returned to the parade ground and seated themselves in readiness for the prize distribution, which took place on the balcony above. The prize-winners came forth in line, the girls first, followed by the successful male students, all of whom in due course received a kindly and encouraging word from His Lordship as he presented to them their coveted awards,

Practical and to the point were the introductory remarks of the chairman. Mr. James A. Campbell, and sympathetic and amusing those of the Earl, during whose delivery Mr. Jupiter Pluvius gave sprinkling evidence of his enterprise, which evoked a remark from the distinguished speaker to the

effect that he feared the closure was about to be moved.

Tea on the Mount Lawn was next eagerly discussed, the rain manipulator having retired in favour of the "inner man," and finally an adjournment was made to the Armitage Swimming Bath, which compact, useful, and health-giving building was soon crowded to its utmost capacity. Here were seen the most interesting natatorial feats, under the direction of Mr. Guy M. Campbell, including diving in various forms, the turning of somersaults, sliding down a water chute (which caused roars of laughter), and British life-saving methods which are now adopted by several other countries. This was certainly one of the most interesting exhibitions of the afternoon, and it brought to a close a highly successful and instructive entertainment.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The Right Hon, James A. Campbell, LL.D., M.P. (chairman of the Executive Committee), presided, supported by Sir John M. Stirling Maxwell, Bart., M.P. (vice-chairman), Dr. F. J. Campbell and Mrs. Campbell, the Rev. John G. Train, Mr. Guy Campbell, &c.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Executive Committee, thanked the large number of friends who had countenanced the work of the College by their presence. The more it was made known the more its success would be assured. It required nothing to be said by him to explain what the College was; that was fully set forth in the reports which had been printed and The College had distinctive aims, and that was to take the blind youth in early years and train and give them education that would make them intelligent and self-supporting members of society. (Loud applause.) Recalling the objects of the College and the work that had been accomplished, he remarked that so large a proportion as 89 per cent of the students who had passed through the Institution were now supporting themselves. (Applause.) Nine out of every ten who left the College supported themselves, some as organists, others as teachers and pianoforte tuners. It must be apparent to everyone, however, that such results involved considerable expenditure. There was a mortgage on the property which they were anxious to remove, besides heavy expenses for maintenance, and he appealed to the benevolent for the liberal support the Institution merited. A party of inmates visited the Paris Conference last year, in order to show their attainments in music and gymnastics, and another party were shortly proceeding to the Glasgow Exhibition with the same object. Their expenses were not, however, borne by the College, but by the generosity of friends. He had the honour of introducing the Earl of Aberdeen, who took a deep interest in the College and all educational and philanthropic work. (Loud applause.)

Lorn Aberdeen then distributed the prizes to the following students, and

addressed a few kindly words to each recipient:-

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Second Form.-Mabel Lungley and Barbara Caslake Fourth Form .- Mary Balls.

Sewing .- Alice Barker, Lizzie Holroyd, and Grace Bussell.

Knitting.-Emily Johns, and Mabel Lungley.

Special Prizes (given by Captain F. P. Webber, for best written letters).-Daisy Kay and Annie Kingett.

MUSICAL DEPARTMENT: SINOING.

Soprano (given by Mr. R. Boulcott-Newth). - Eliza Williamson.

Contralto (given by Miss Marian Severn).—Lizzie Crowley and Nellie Clark,

PIANOFORTE.

Mr. Frits Hartvigson's Classes (given by Mr. Hartvigson).—Elsie James. Certificate of Merit.—Jane Shepherd.

MRS. WM. AUCHINCLOSS ARROL'S PRIZE.

For best work done by Pupil Teachers.-Louisa Robertson.

MR. J. B. HAMMOND'S PRIZES.

Typewriting.—1st prize, Eleanor Harris; 2nd prize, Ethel Foster; (given by Mrs. Harrington) Ada Hodgson.

Certificates of Merit.—Jessie Livesey, Louisa Robertson, Rose Freeman, and Alice Meiklejon.

PHYSICAL DEPARTMENT.

Gymnastics (given by Mr. Guy M. Campbell).—Seniors, Eleanor Harris; juniors, Mary Balls.

BOYS' SCHOOL.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

First Form (given by Mrs. T. R. Armitage).—Leslie Kenny.

Second Form.-Wm. Jackson.

Fifth Form .- Alfred Byford.

Scripture (given by Miss Bell).-Percy Williams.

MUSICAL DEPARTMENT: SINGING.

Mr. Boulcott-Newth's Classes (given by Mr. Newth) .- Ernest Barker.

ORGAN.

Mr. H. Balfour's Classes (given by Mr. Balfour).-Wilfred Norris.

PIANOFORTE.

Mr. Frits Hartvigson's Classes (given by Mr. Hartvigson).—Leonard Pegg. Certificate of Merit.—Horace Watling

Mr. F. D. Smither's Classes (given by Mr. Smither).—Arthur Hall and Arthur Chessell.

Mr. H. Kelly's Classes (given by Mr. Kelly).—Hugh Howard and Sidney Brooker.

PIANOFORTE TUNING AND TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT.

Pianoforte Tuning (given by Mr. Hipkins).—Chas. Mackinder, Arthur Chessell, and Richard Birkbeek; (given by Mr. J. Young) James Mackin and Robert Urch.

SPECIAL PRIZE.

For best work done by Pupil Teachers .- John H. Wright.

MR. J. B. HAMMOND'S PRIZE.

Typewriting.—Sidney Brooker; (given by Mrs. Harrington) Hugh Howard,

Certificates of Merit. - Patrick Keiley and Alfred Byford.

Physical Department.

Gymnastics (given by Mr. Guy M. Campbell).—Seniors, Percy Way; juniors, Percy Williams

TRAINING COLLEGE CERTIFICATES.

Nellie Swithinbank and Eliza Williamson.

ROYAL NORMAL COLLEGE PIANOFORTE TUNING CERTIFICATES.

Richard A. Birkbeck, Arthur Chessell, and Charles W. Mackinder.

The awards comprised certificates, books with embossed letters, specially printed for the use of the Blind, tuning bags, umbrellas, &c.

The Earl of Aberdeen, stepping to the front of the balcony just as the rain began to fall, said that judging by the elements it appeared to him that the closure was about to be moved in a very effective manner. But if they would bear with him for a few moments he would not keep them long, and should the rain continue he would not feel offended if they walked away. His Lordship spoke in a clear, ringing voice that could be distinctly heard by all. In congratulating the prize-winners he remarked that the visitors could not fail to have been deeply impressed with all they had seen and heard. What had struck him most was the "cycle" 'riding. He wished he had known of it a short time ago, because, in a debate in the House of Lords on the bond-jide traveller question, which raised the point of serving cyclists, Lord Salisbury twitted him with not being an appreciator of the cycle. He (Lord Aberdeen) contended that a man who had ridden 40 or 50 miles was entitled to refreshment. The Prime Minister doubted whether that distance was ever covered by a cyclist in a day.

DR. CAMPBELL, interposing, stated that he rode with others to Brighton and back, covering the distance in 84 hours.

Lord Aberdeen, continuing, said he should take an opportunity of telling Lord Salisbury of this feat by a blind man. Music was, perhaps, the central feature of the work of the Institution, the unanner in which the music was rendered being something to be remembered with pleasure as long as they lived. (Cheers.) The physical exercises also had a very important significance, forming, as they did, part of the training which reflected the whole character of the student, and was of even more value to those deprived of their sight than to those who had it. They stimulated energies in these students which would otherwise lie dormant. It was a wonderful and patriotic Institution, which was doing a noble and religious work, and benefiting the whole world. They would not, he said, find his name in any part of the annual report, but he hoped that it would appear in the next. In conclusion, he proposed a vote of thanks to Dr. Campbell. (Applause.)

The Phincipal, in replying said every one of the visitors, with their friends, could assist the Institution by employing the immates to tune their pianos. They sent tuners all over London, and he offered to be personally responsible for any damage done. "Do," he said, "give them a trial."

Dr. Campell proposed a vote of thanks to his Lordship for coming to the College as he had done in the midst of his many public duties.

The vote of thanks was responded to with hearty and enthusiastic applanse. This ended a most successful and enjoyable prize festival.

APPENDIX B.

Pianoforte Tuning.*

Please note we send certificated pianofortc tuners from the College to any part of the London Postal District, for tuning and repairing of pianos. Orders and enquiries addressed to the Manager, Pianoforte Tuning Department, Royal Normal College, Upper Norwood, S.E., will receive prompt attention.

The proof of the efficiency of the College tuners is that an ever increasing number of ladies and gentlemen, especially members of the musical profession, as well as manufacturers and music dealers, employ them, both in London and the Provinces.

Testimonials from those who are employing the College tuners will be found overleaf.

No tuner is granted a Certificate without serving an apprenticeship of several years, and undergoing a most thorough examination. A. J. Hipkins, Esq., one of the very greatest authorities on the piano, is Chief Examiner. For the examination the pupil not only tunes pianos for inspection, but is actually tested while at work; the manner of holding and managing the tuning hammer and damper, with the varieties of pianos, including overstrung instruments, being carefully noted. Each pupil is also required to demonstrate his technical skill in making eyes, stringing, and ordinary

^{*} Pianoforte Tuning as a profession for the Blind was introduced many years ago by Claude Montal, a blind pupil of the Paris School, and founder of the manufacturing house that bears his name. To him is due the scientific method of tuning now general both among the Seeing and the Blind. In France it is well known the Blind make the best tuners, and there they readily find employment on the same terms as the Seeing.

light repairs, such as removing broken wrest pins, repairing hammer shanks, &c.*

Numbers of the College tuners are now suecessfully established at Liverpool, Leeds, Sheffield, Huddersfield, Hull, Bradford, Chester, Darlington, Sunderland, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Paisley, Dundee, Dumfries, Kilmarnoek, Cardiff, and other towns. Residents in the above towns or neighbourhood desirous of employing our tuners will be furnished with their addresses upon application to the Manager of the Department.

PLANOFORTE TUNING TESTIMONIALS.

VICTORIA STREET, S.W.

I bave much pleasure in testifying to the very admirable manner in which my pianofortes (2) were tuned by Mr. J. F—— of the Royal Normal College and Academy of Music for the Blind. I have no hesitation in recommending him as a most able, accurate, and conscientious tuner.

The late SIR ARTHUR SULLIVAN.

45, Bedford Gardens, Campden Hill, W.

I have great pleasure in expressing to you my entire satisfaction with the way my Broadwood grand was tuned by one of the tuners from your College.

With kind regards, believe me very truly,

ROYAL ACADEMY OF MUSIC, TENTERDEN STREET, HANOVER SQUARE,

I have much pleasure in stating that I have been fully satisfied with the tuning of a grand pianoforte, belonging to this Institution, by a member of the Royal Normal College and Academy of Music for the Blind, Upper Norwood. The instrument in question has been tested by me, and I find it is in perfect tune; indeed, exceptional care has been bestowed upon it. I have therefore no hesitation at all in cordially recommending the tuners of the College to the public.

A. C. MACKENZIE.

[•] The perfunctory work of Blind pupils who merely linger two or three hours daily over a piano accomplishes very little towards fitting them for business. The pupil must be as diligent, energetic, and persevering as the seeing apprentice, and willing to give even more time for the necessary preparation.

23, St. Augustine's Road, Camden Square, N.W.

For several years past the pianofortes in my house have been tuned exclusively by one of the tuners of the Royal Normal College of Music to the Blind, Upper Norwood; and it is a source of much pleasure to me to be able to certify that my instruments during that period have been kept in a condition such as to afford me entire satisfaction.

The late EDWD. HOPKINS, Mus. Doc., Late Organist of the Temple Church, &c.

SYDCOTE, WEST DULWICH, S.E.

During the past ten years I have had my pianofortes tuned by certificated tuners from the Royal Normal College for the Blind, and am able to say that they have always given me the utmost satisfaction. I should be sorry to place my instruments under other hands.

WILLIAM H. CUMMINGS, Principal, Guildhall School of Music.

152, BUCHANAN STREET, GLASGOW.

We are duly in receipt of your letter dated 2nd March, and in reply have much pleasure in stating that Mr. R. W-, who has been in our employment for several years, gives us satisfaction in the capacity of We are, yours sincerely, indoor tuner.

Pro PATERSON, Sons & Co., R. Thomson.

96, LEEDS ROAD, BRADFORD.

I have much pleasure in bearing testimony to the high qualities of the tuners turned out of your College. I have now three in my employ, and find them superior to most sighted tuners. G. W——, who has been with me over five years, is A1. me over five years, is A1.

S WALKER.

81 & 83, BUCHANAN STREET, GLASGOW.

We are pleased to inform you that J. M-, whom you inquire about, is still with us, and doing very well indeed. He has been over eleven years with us; he is a good tuner, very obliging, and does his work in a most satisfactory manner, and is frequently specially asked for. Please excuse the delay in answering your letter, but I thought my brother had replied. We are, dear sir, yours faithfully,

R. J. & R. Adams.

APPENDIX C.

Gardner Scholars.

The following tabulated statement gives the names of "Gardner Scholars" now under instruction:—

COLLEGE

Boys.

Adams, Charles.
Bailey, Frank.
Bailey, William John.
Brooke, Wilfrid.
Chappell, William.
Clay, William.
Crowley, James.
Evans, Arthur A.
Firth. Reginald.
Golightly, William.
Gregory, Thomas.
Hall, Arthur.
James, Bertie.
Kedwell, Charles.
Laurie, William.
Lewis, Arthur J.
Mallett, Richard.
Mayhew, Thomas
Mence. Edwin.

Moore, Rupert James Norris, Wilfrid. Pegg, Leonard. Pinkus, Harry. Rees, David Rees, Hector. Rigby, Herhert. Roseveare, Winfrid. Schofield, Wilfred. Shepherd, James Taylor, Harry B. Thick, William James. Thompson, Richard. Twaite. Arthur. Watling, Horace Wellbelove, Edmund. Whiffen, Sidney Whittleton, George.

GIRLS.

Harris, Eleanor.
Hendry, Elizabeth.
Holroyd, Mary E
Kay, Fanny.
Kay, Jane.
Kingett, Anna.
Lambert, Gertrude.
Leitch, Ellen,
Livesay, Jessie.
Marston, Louisa.
Meiklejon, Alice.
Owens, Nellie.
Robertson, Louisa
Schofield, Phœbe.
Shepherd, Jaue.
Whiting, Mary.
Wilburu, Caroline.

Andrews, Eunice,
Ascoli, Edith.
Barker, Alice.
Best, Edith.
Biflin, Alice.
Blenkarn, Gertrude.
Bussell, Grace.
Clark, Nellie.
Crowley, Elizabeth.
Davies, Ruth.
Day, Ella
Drover, Winifred.
Evans, Mary Ann.
Foster, Ethel.
Franklin, Elsie.
Freeman, Rosima.

TECHNICAL SCHOOL.

Appleton, Charles, Barker, Ernest Berkes, Conrad, Collard, Bertie, Dyer, Charles, Higgs, Arthur

Jury, William. Steele, Albert C. Sykes, Willie. Thatcher, Arthur Williams, Herbert.

APPENDIX D.

Old Pupils' Guild.

Most blind persons, whether trained as Teachers, Organists, Musicians, Pianoforte Tuncrs, or for any other trade or occupation, require some assistance at the outset.

They need help in finding suitable employment; recommendations for establishing a connection; sometimes pecuniary assistance in providing outfits of books, tools, instruments, &c.; advice in difficulties; encouragement in trials; sympathy at all times; and if overtaken by reverses, judicious and timely help towards a fresh start.

From the very commencement this help has been given, as far as possible, by the College authorities, and the success achieved by our old pupils would have been impossible without it. But owing to the increasing number of certificated pupils, organised effort has become necessary to meet these needs and the expense which they entail. These increasing requirements led to the establishment of a Guild for Old Pupils.

The objects of the Guild are:-

To assist, advise, and befriend Pupils after leaving the College, especially when first starting in their business or profession; to devise and carry into operation such methods as may be found most effective for this purpose, so that every Old Pupil of the College who, having completed his or her College course, and obtained a College Certificate, maintains good conduct and reputation, and is a diligent worker according to his or her ability, may rely on moral, material, and effective support, and timely assistance in every occasion of difficulty, so far as funds will allow.

The management of the Guild is deputed to a Special Committee, including the officers of the Executive Committee, the Principal of the College, and others, among whom are some of the former pupils of the College.

The Committee seek the aid, as corresponding associates, of Ladies and Gentlemen in various parts of this country or abroad, who will interest themselves in the Blind, especially in former pupils of the College, and who will undertake to establish and maintain, as far as may be, friendly communication with members of the Guild in their own neighbourhood, and to assist the Special Committee with information and otherwise, in furthering the objects of the Guild in regard to such members; to act as referees for members; to assist them in finding employment and obtaining customers; to give a patient hearing to their statements, and devise judicious ways of advancing their welfare.

FORM OF MUSICAL DIPLOMA.

Royal Normal College and Academy of Music for the Blind,

UPPER NORWOOD, S.E.

FOUNDED A.D. 1872.

Musica Lux in Tenebris.

PATRONS.

THEIR MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN.

VICE-PATRONS.

HR.I.H. THE DUCHESS OF SAXE-COBURG AND GOTHA (Duchess of Edinburgh).

H.R.H. THE PRINCESS LOUISE (Duchess of Argyll).
H.R.H. THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT AND STRATHEARN, K.G., K.T.
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This is to Certify that

HAS BEEN A PUPIL OF THE

Royal Normal College & Academy of Music for the Blind

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(Signed as follows):-

Singing: Pianoforte: Counterpoint, &c. Organ:

President:

Chairman of Committee Hon, Secretary:

PRINCIPAL.

Dated

Reduced Facsimile of Planoforte Tuning Certificate.



APPENDIX E.

Rules and Terms for the Admission of Pupils.

- 1. The College is open to the young of either sex and of any rank, but only those will be received as pupils who show sufficient ability to render it probable that by instruction they will become self-supporting.
- 2. As without previous trial it would in many cases be difficult to determine whether an applicant for admission has sufficient eapacity for the kind of education given at the College, candidates will first be received as probationers for a period of three months, or less. If, at the end of that period, they are found to possess adequate ability, they may become permanent pupils.
- 3. The annual charge for pupils sent by subscription or school authorities is as follows:—

Under 13		 	 £35
Between 13	and 16	 	 £45
Over 16		 	 £60*

- 4. The terms for private pupils will be furnished by the Principal upon application.
- 5. The terms for pupils include board, lodging, washing, and medical attendance; but not clothing or travelling expenses. Payments in all cases must be made for each term in advance. All cheques and Post Office Orders, in payment for pupils, should be sent to the Principal at the College.
- 6. The sehool year will be divided into three terms; for which the payments are due October 1st, January 1st, and

^{*}The Gardner Trust grants Scholarships, after examination, in aid of the young Blind of England and Wales, whose friends cannot pay the entire cost.

April 1st. The first and second terms include three months each, the third term four months.

- 7. Except in cases of severe illness, all pupils are expected to be in attendance at the College on the first day of each term.
- S. Pupils will only be admitted at the beginning of one of the terms. If possible they should enter at the beginning of the Michaelmas term.
- 9. As it is of the utmost importance to keep up home ties between pupils and their families, it is desirable that all pupils shall spend at least the summer vacation with their parents or friends.
- 10. All pupils must be provided with strong clothes, either new or in perfect repair, as in the following lists, and their parents or friends will be required to renew the clothing when deemed necessary by the Committee. Pupils whose eyes are disfiguring will be required to wear glasses. The glasses should be obtained at the College.
- 11. The use of tobacco in all forms is strictly forbidden. All pupils, without regard to age, during their connection with the College, must abstain from the use of tobacco either on or off the College premises. The use of beer, wine, or any drink containing alcohol, is only allowed when ordered by the medical authorities of the College.
- 12. In all cases the following form must be filled up by a duly qualified medical practitioner. The questions are not, however, put with a view to exclusion, but for information regarding the pupils.
 - (a) Is the applicant totally blind, or if only partially so, has he sufficient sight to enable him to follow any profitable employment?
 - (b) What appears to have been the cause of blindness?

- (c) Has the applicant had small-pox? Has he been vaccinated, and is there satisfactory evidence that the infection was complete?
- (d) Has he had measles, whooping cough, or scarlet fever?
- (e) Has he been subject to epileptic fits?
- (f) Is he free from scrofula or cutaneous disease?

(Signed)	
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- 13. In cases in which the pupil is not entirely paid for by his or her friends, some reliable person must give a guarantee that the necessary clothing will be supplied; and that the pupil will be removed from the College during vacations; and, in case of death, that the functal expenses will be paid.
- 14. Parents or friends can visit the pupils on the first Wednesday in November, February, April, and June, between 3 and 5 p.m. If, for any special reason, parents wish to see their children at other times, they should write to the Principal for an appointment. As a rule, it is not expected that more than two friends will visit any pupil on the same afternoon. When visiting the College, parents are earnestly requested not to bring young children with them. Friends cannot visit the pupils on Sunday; this rule is strictly enforced. Parents are specially requested not to bring or send sweets or eatables to the children. If the children go out with their parents, they must not undertake commissions for other pupils.

N.B.—Applications and inquiries in regard to the admission of pupils should be addressed to the Principal, F. J. Campbell, Esq., LL.D., "Windermere," Church Road, Upper Norwood, S.E. Persons can see the Principal on business on Fridays from 11.30 to 1 p.m., and 4 to 6 p.m.; otherwise by appointment.

LIST OF CLOTHING.

FEMALE DEPARTMENT.

Stays and tight-fitting dresses are prohibited. Dresses and other clothing must give ample room across the chest. Dresses narrow across the chest invariably lead to bad positions. Parents are especially requested to attend to this requirement, as the health very much depends upon proper clothing. The skirts of the school dresses must be at least $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches from the ground, to allow freedom in walking.

- 1 Sunday dress.
- 2 Week-day dresses.
- 1 Gymnastic snit, which should be purchased at the College, and must be renewed when necessary.
- 1 White petticoat.
- 2 Coloured petticoats.
- 2 Flannel petticoats.
- 3 Undervests (flannel or merino, high-necked and longsleeved).
- 3 Chemises.
- 3 Bodices (supplied with buttons for supporting the skirts).
- 4 Pairs of drawers.
- 3 Nightgowns.
- 1 Flannel dressing gown.
- 12 Towels.
 - 8 Pocket-handkerchiefs (at least).
 - 6 Aprons or Pinafores.
 - 4 Pairs of stockings.
 - 1 Pair of best boots.
 - 2 Pairs of strong boots.
 - 1 Pair of slippers.
 - 2 Hats.
 - 1 Sunday jacket.
 - 1 Week-day ditto, or shawl.

- 1 Waterproof.
- 2 Pairs of Gloves.

A sufficient quantity of collars and cuffs.

- 1 Comb and brush.
- 1 Small-toothed comb.
- 1 Nail brush
- 1 Tooth brush.
- 2 Small bags for combs and brush.
- 2 Bags for soiled linen.

N. B.—The gymnastic outfit is indispensable, and should be obtained at the College, as it is important to have all the suits alike. If the clothing and gymnastic outfit are not provided, it will be the duty of the Principal to suspend the pupil. If Parents will furnish 15s. for the first year, and 10s. each succeeding year, the pupil will be kept fully supplied with all that is required for the Physical Department.

MALE DEPARTMENT.

- 1 Sunday suit (of black or dark navy blue material).
- 2 Very strong week-day suits.

Coats and vests must be broad across the chest, to give the lungs full play.

- 3 Shirts.
- 3 Night shirts.
- 6 Collars (at least).

The bands of shirts and collars are often too small: this is a fatal error, as it not only injures the health, but prevents all chance of progress in singing.

- 6 Pocket-handkerchiefs (at least).
- 4 Pairs dark worsted stockings.
- 1 Warm coat or cloak.
- 1 Stiff black felt hat for Sunday.
- 2 College caps (furnished at the College at 1/6 each).
- 2 Pairs of gloves (1 pair of plain dark woollen material or woollen-lined for winter use, and 1 pair of dark-coloured dog-skin gloves for the summer).

- 1 Pair of Sunday boots.
- 2 Pairs of very strong boots for week-day use (without hob-nails).

(Parents are requested to exercise special care in regard to the size of the boots. They are often too small.)

1 pair of leather-soled slippers, with low heels (furnished at the College at lowest wholesale rates).

Gymnastic shoes (black), jerseys (dark navy blue, with 2-inch collar), cap and belt (furnished at the College at the lowest wholesale rates).

- 2 Woollen vests.
- 2 Pairs woollen drawers.

Comb and hair brush.

Small-toothed comb.

- 2 Small bags for comb and brush.
- 1 Tooth Brush.
- 1 Bag for soiled linen.

The rule in regard to the supply of clothing is imperative.

N.B.—The gymnastic outfit is indispensable, and should be obtained at the College, as it is important to have all the suits alike. If the clothing and gymnastic outfit are not provided, it will be the duty of the Principal to suspend the pupil. If parents will fornish 15s. for the first year, and 10s. each succeeding year, the pupil will be kept fully supplied with all that is required for the Physical Department.

NOTICE.

In future, all letters to Female pupils over 13 years of age should be addressed:—

SMITH TRAINING COLLEGE,
"WALMER," 108, CHURCH ROAD,
UPPER NORWOOD, S.E.

Letters to those under 13 years of age should be addressed:—

ROYAL NORMAL COLLEGE,

72, WESTOW STREET,

UPPER NORWOOD, S.E.

NOTICE.

In future, all letters to Male Pupils over 13 years of age should be addressed:—

ROYAL NORMAL COLLEGE,
72, WESTOW STREET,
UPPER NORWOOD, S.E.

Letters to those under 13 years of age should be addressed:—

Preparatory School (R.N.C.),

11, Bedwardine Road,
Upper Norwood, S.E.

The Royal Mormal College an

STATEMENT OF ORDINARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE PO

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Less reduced amount of Pupils' Accounts outstanding, viz. —

At January 1st, 1901 | £709 | 7 | 11 At December 31st, 1901 | 577 | 7 | 3

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Carried forward .. £10,249 6

^{*} It has again been found necessary to have recourse to the Mortgata Redemption Fund and the Legacies for the year in payment of current accounts. The amount so applied in the year was £1,050.

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The Royal Mormal College and

STATEMENT OF ORDINARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE

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The above Statement of Income and Expenditure, together with that of the Mortgage Redemption Fund for the year 1901, has been compared by us with the books and vouchers, and we find them to be in accordance therewith.

MIALL, WILKINS, RANDALL & CO.,

Chartered Accountants.

23, St. Swithin's Lane, E.C. 15th March, 1902.

Academy of Music for the Blind.

Twelve Months ended 31st December, 1901-(Continued).

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	Interest on Mortgage			487	10	0			
	Rent, Rates, Taxes, and Insurance			543	4	4			
	Alterations, Fixtures, and Repairs			346	3	11			
	Renewals, Wear and Tear, &c.			7	7	11			
	Travelling Expenses			29	5	0			
	Concerts and Meetings			15	0	5			
	Pension			20	0	0			
	Bank Charges, Sundries, &c.			32	9	2			
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The Royal Mormal College and

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Dr.

RECEIPTS.

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THE YEAR 1901.

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Schedule of Property

(AND COST OF SAME).

Gardens and Playgrounds (16 Acres) A.—School Building B.—Walmer. (W. H. Smith Training College for Girls) C.—Windermere. (Principals' Residence, Teaching Rooms, and Slöyd Shop) D.—Mount. (Containing Dining Rooms, Kitchen, and Dormitories) EThe Roses. (Containing Residential Accommodation and the Win. Shaen Typewriting School) F.—Preparatory School. (Three Houses for Younger Boys) G.—Technical School. (One House for Young Men) H.—Pianoforte-Tuning School J.—Boys' Gymnasium, with Fittings K.—Girls' Gymnasium, with Fittings L.—Armitage Swimming Bath	£55,455	5	8
Furniture, Organs, Pianos, Educational Plant	.£8,769	15	9
	£64,225	1	5

The Property scheduled above is subject to a Mortgage of £15,000.

List of Donations and Subscriptions

FOR THE

GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE COLLEGE,

Received from January 1st, 1901, to December 31st, 1901.

The Principal will be glad to be informed of any inaccuracies in this List.

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List of Donations and Subscriptions

TO THE

MORTGAGE REDEMPTION FUND, RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR 1901.

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Beddow, Josiah, Esq					5	5	0			
Hartvigson, Frits, Esq					5					
Justico, Miss H. E.					2	2	0			
Longhurst, Mrs								ā	- 5	-0
Mason, W., Esq									10	- 6
Pye-Smith, Arnold, Esq								33	6	8
Roche, G. B., Esq.					1	1	0	_		
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Smith, Miss								1	0	0
Way, George F., Esq				• •	3	0	0			
West, Fred., Esq	•		• •	• •				3	2	0
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Scholarship Committees, &c.

Total amounts subscribed from March, 1872, to December 31st, 1900.

Dalfack Association for	771.						£	8	d.
Belfast Association for The Committee of						· ·	20	0	^
Bradford Ladies' Commi						• •	28	0	0
Bradford Workshops for						• •	135 24	0	0
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Bristol Institution for th							72	6	8
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Committee of							289	0	0
Burnley Home Teachin							200	Ü	Ü
Thornton, Esq.)							230	0	0
Cardiff Guild of Social V							11	0	8
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Battersea Committee							47	0	0
Bethnal Green							81	5	0
Bristol ,.							4	0	0
Camberwell ,,							253	12	4
Chelsea							55	0	0
Clapham and East Ba	ttersea						10	0	0
Fulham and Hammer							7	4	0
Hackney Committee							25	0	0
Mile End Old Town C							83	0	0
Newington Committee							180	10	0
Paddington ,,							40	17	2
Poplar ,,						• •	98	0	0
Poplar ,, Shoreditch ,,							23	.5	0
St. Marylebone ,.				• •		• •	252	0	0
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St. Pancras (S.) Com	nittee				• •	• •	10		0
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	orthern Counties Institution for the Blind,				157	10	6
N	orth Staffordshire Home Teaching Society				9	0	0
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	S. Gurney Buxton, and others)				199	3	1
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	Esq.)				132	10	7
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	(per Mrs. G. Shepherd)				122	17	1
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S	wansea and South Wales Institution for	the	Blind	(per			
	Joseph Hall, Esq.)				195	16	0
U	nited Institution for the Blind and Deaf	and D	umb, I	Leeds	171	14	U
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Amounts received during 1901 are acknowledged on pages 88-100.

Legacies, &c.

Received up to December 31st, 1900.

None des Terres D	£	S.	d.
Alexander, James, Esq	200	0	()
Ashbrook, Dowager Viscountess (per Lord Monson)	45	0	0
Deck, Allss ther Messrs Tyrrell Louis Louis and Day 31	225	0	0
Benzon, Mrs.	500	0	ō
Botley, Win., Esq	20	0	0
Benzon, Mrs. Botley, Win., Esq. Bradbury, Thomas, Esq. Brassey, Henry Arthur, Esq. (pay Mestre Montes)	100	0	0
Brassey, Henry Arthur, Esq. (per Messrs. Morton, Rose and Co.)	450	0	0
Chatting, Edward, Esq. (per Messrs, Crossfield, Son and	490	()	U
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Colclough Wm Esq	100	0	0
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Covard, 51188 Ann (per Samuel Lewis, Esq.)	9	0	0
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Kermack)	417	13	0
Darling, Miss E. C. (per H. W. Lyall, Esq.)	90	0	0
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Kermack)	100	0	0
De Gruchy, Miss (per James Bertram, Esq.)	300	ō	0
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Douglas, Mrs. Elizabeth	652		1
Dudley J. W. Esq. (ner F. H. Spiller Esq.)	90	0	0
Du Pasquier, Miss Mary Amelia (per Claudius F. du Pasquier,	OG	U	U
	50	0	0
Esq., and Charles A. Jones, Esq., exors.)	50	0	0
Crebert Trees T. Freund, Esq.)	100	0	0
Geck, Adam, Esq. (per P. Freund, Esq.)	500	0	0
Gaudet, George Herbert, Esq. (per exors, of the late Mrs. E.			
Bunting)	500	0	0
Harrison, John, Esq	3,054	13	7
Hawksley, Thomas, Esq., M D. (per Messrs. Walker, Raikes,			
and Allison)	100	0	0
Heathcote, Francis, Esq	200	0	0
Horsley, Mrs. Caroline (per Messrs. Tueker, Lake, and Lyon)	100	0	0
Howard, Richard, Esq. ther the late Thomas Dryland, Esq.,			
and Edward John Bridgman, Esq., exors.)	250	0	0
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McKellar, Miss Louise	3,024		ŏ
Mellor, Miss (per Messrs, Field and Sons)	10,022	1.7	0
Morris, John Godfrey, Esq. (per Thomas Fowler, Esq., and	180	0	0
Charles Edward Morris, Esq., exors.)		0	0
Newnham, Miss Annie	20	-	
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Knight, Esq.)	21	0	0
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Apportionment of (per W. M. Hepper, Esq.) · · · ·	180	0	0
Smith, Miss F. (per Messrs. Sparke and Sons)	500	0	0

LEGACIES, &c .- (continued).

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The Corporation of London and City Companies.

Total amounts subscribed from March, 1872, to December 31st, 1900.

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Amounts received from City Companies during 1901 are acknowledged on pages 88-100

REGULATIONS FOR VISITING THE COLLEGE.

Subscribers and frieuds who may wish to visit the College can do so on application to the Principal. Special Visitors' Day, first Thursday afternoon in each month, except during January, August, September, and October. Visitors will have an opportunity of inspecting the various departments from 3 P.M.

Parents or friends can visit the pupils on the first Wednesday in November, February, April, and June, between 3 and 5 p.m. If, for any special reason, parents wish to see their children at other times, they should write to the Principal for an appointment. As a rule, it is not expected that more than two friends will visit any pupil on the same afternoon. When visiting the College, parents are earnestly requested not to bring young children with them. Friends cannot visit the pupils on Sunday; this rule is strictly enjorced. Parents are specially requested not to bring or send sweets or eatables to the children. If the children go out with their parents, they must not undertake commissions for other pupils.

The College is situated at Upper Norwood. The principal entrance is in Westow Street. An outline Map, showing the position of the College and of the different Railway Stations in the neighbourhood, will be found on the

next page.

The Principal can be seen on business on Fridays from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and 4 to 6 p.m., otherwise by appointment.

INFORMATION FOR INTENDING CONTRIBUTORS.

Annual Subscriptions, Donations, and Legacics are earnestly requested, and will be thankfully received by the Hon. Treasurer or by the Principal, at the College.

Cheques and Post Office Orders should be crossed, and may be drawn in favour of The Rt. Hon. Lord Statbridge, Hou. Treasurer, or the Principal, F. J. Campbell, Esq., LL.D., "Windermere," Church Road, Upper Norwood, S.E.

The Principal will be happy to furnish any further information, and to forward copies of reports and various papers to all who may be willing to assist in bringing the claims of the College to the notice of the public.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I bequeath to the ROYAL NORMAL COLLEGE AND ACADEMY OF MUSIC FOR THE BLIND, at Upper Norwood, for the general purposes of that Institution, the sum of the receipt of the Treasurer or one of the Treasurers for the

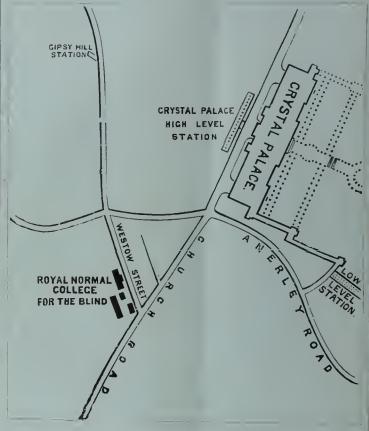
the receipt of the Treasurer or one of the Treasurers for the time being of that Institution, shall be a good discharge for such legacy.

N.B.—Any property may now be given by Will for charitable purposes.

The Will or Codicil must be signed by the Testator in the presence of two witnesses, who must subscribe their names in his presence and in the presence of each other.

OUTLINE MAP.

Showing the Position of the College at Upper Norwood, and of the Railway Stations in the Neighbourhood.



The Public are cordially invited to visit the College.

Regulations for Visitors will be found on the 3rd page of the Cover of this Report.